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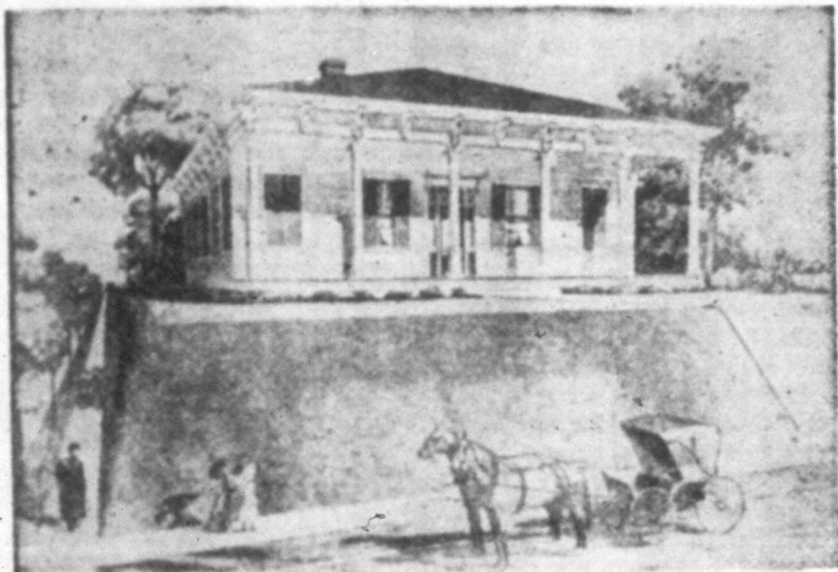
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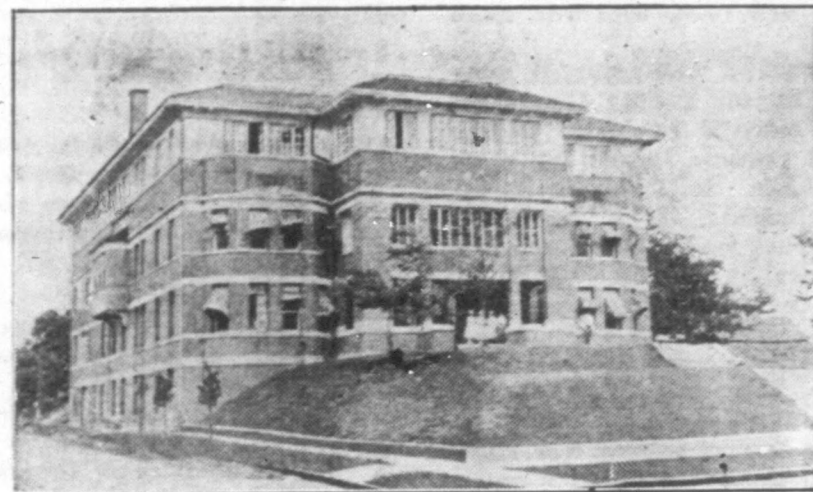
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## WHAT THEY HAD...



The Mississippi Baptist Hospital Of 1910



The Mississippi Baptist Hospital Of 1927

### Director McCall Hopes to Complete Hospital Campaign In January

The response to the Mississippi Baptist Hospital Enlargement Campaign has been a source of amazement and gratification to everybody. Although very little of the Christmas offering has been received at State Headquarters, the amount already received from outside Jackson is approximately \$50,000. The goal is \$100,000. Jackson is seeking to secure \$100,000 and already cash and pledges total approximately \$80,000.

With such a hearty response, General Campaign Director D. A. (Scotchie) McCall and his associates are urging every church and every individual to make an offering during January.

Discussing the campaign, Director McCall cited the fact that the War Loan Drives and Community Chest Campaigns are not stretched out over a

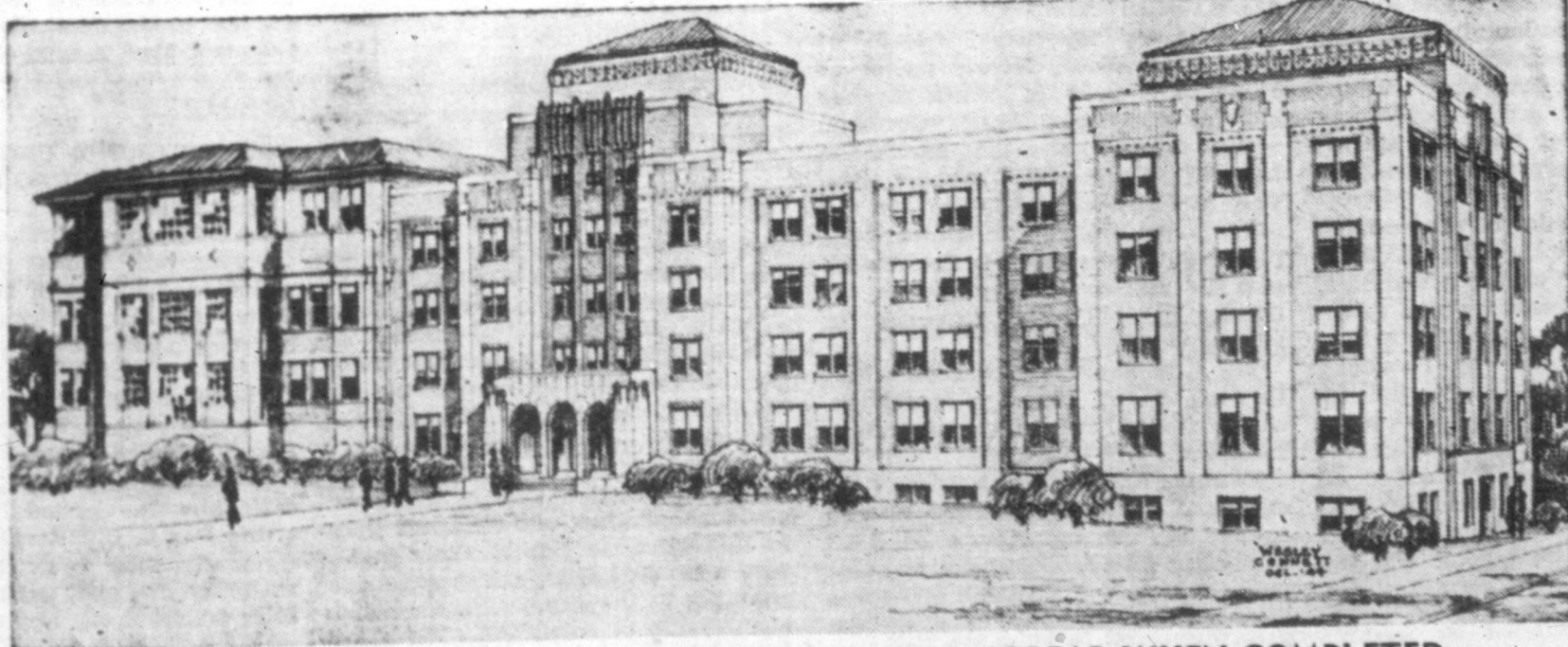
period of months but are completed within a few weeks. He suggests that Baptists do likewise. He mentioned two reasons why the \$200,000 should be raised during January.

1. By order of the State Convention, February is Blue Mountain Endowment Month. One campaign should not overlap the other.
2. The goal is in sight, the people are interested, and time and work will be saved. A job that can be completed in a few weeks should not be stretched out over months.

Monies for the Baptist Hospital Enlargement Campaign should be sent to the Baptist Convention Board, Jackson 105, Miss., and designated as Mississippi Baptist Hospital Enlargement Campaign Funds.

## WHAT THEY NEED...

PROPOSED ADDITION



**THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL AS IT WILL APPEAR WHEN COMPLETED**  
The present \$200,000 building campaign is for the purpose of completing the building forming the main unit. This unit is that seen in about one-third of the picture to the right.



## Sparks & Splinters

Rev. W. O. Beatty has resigned the pastorate at Coldwater and accepted the care of Eudora church, Memphis, Tenn.

Friendship church, Kreole: Recently the members of the Odd Fellows Lodge of Kreole attended out services in a body. They also presented a generous offering to the church.—Mrs. O. S. Koski.

Congratulations to Mrs. Willis A. Brown, Briar Hill church, Rankin Association, Mississippi, for having the very first Standard Cradle Roll department under the new Cradle Roll and Nursery plan.

Summer: The special offering for the Baptist Hospital Enlargement Campaign now totals \$215 with more expected.

Attractive and well-prepared minutes of Chickasaw County Association, have been received from Clerk George H. Gay of Okolona. From the minutes we learn the following facts: Number churches, 16; 91 baptisms; eight churches made contributions to the Cooperative Program and all churches except one made contributions to missions and benevolences.

The Baptist Record appreciates a check for \$3.36 from two Baptist friends at Old Point Comfort, Va. They ask that it be used to send The Baptist Record to anyone who will enjoy it.

To all concerned: Almost every day we receive an article or a letter with the following notation, "Please copy and return," or "Return when you have used this." We courteously ask any who contemplate sending us articles or letters to please send us copies only and retain the original. We are having our labor troubles just as other people and we do not have the time to copy letters. Those who send them should do the copying.

Mr. and Mrs. X. O. Steels, of Magee have contributed \$100 to the Patterson Memorial Fund of Mississippi College.

Weir: We recently ordained two deacons: Marvin Doty and Keith Worrell.—Earl Brooks, pastor.

Weir: Our offering for the hospital amounted to \$130.—Reporter.

The Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation has sent a petition to President Roosevelt asking that "all night clubs and gambling halls in these United States . . . be closed until one year after peace is declared between the United States, Germany, Japan, and their allies." The Rev. A. O. Lawton, foundation director, said the petition "represented and is supported by 350,000 Protestant citizens of Louisiana."

J. E. Maxwell, of Pickens, contributed \$100 to the Patterson Memorial fund.

Less than one-third of the married men now attending the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., were able to secure living quarters at the seminary, according to figures released recently by President Ellis A. Fuller. In addition to the 121 families occupying the seminary's apartments, there are 265 families living off the campus. A number of ministers who were unable to find apartments in the Louisville area have left their families back home and are living in Mullins hall, dormitory for men, every available room of which is occupied.

Dr. J. T. Henderson, for many years Southwide Brotherhood secretary, is seriously ill in Knoxville, Tenn.

J. T. Garland, of Pickens, contributed \$100 to the Patterson Memorial fund.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary friends of Greenville, S. C., and of the North Greenville Baptist Association have secured donations and pledges totaling \$25,000 for the purchase of a pipe organ to be installed in the new Alumni Memorial chapel which is to be built from funds secured in the current \$250,000 campaign among seminary alumni.

A four-day pastors' conference will be held at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., March 13-16. Visiting speakers will include: Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Dr. Halford E. Lucecock, and Dr. John S. Bonnell. Pastors planning to attend should write immediately to Louisville hotels for reservations.

Rev. L. O. Dewese has been called as pastor of Shelton church in Jones county.

The condition of Dr. L. R. Scarborough continues critical. He is seriously ill and not expected to recover. Much of the time he is unconscious.

A Mississippi Baptist who is a bombardier in the Pacific was recently on a bombing mission. Radio silence being necessary he used the time en route to the target to read The Baptist Record. When over the target he dropped bombs and The Baptist Record. The bombardier is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Martin J. Gilbert.

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. William W. Miller, Seaboard; Dr. D. M. Nelson, Clinton; Rev. Herman Milner, Star; Rev. R. A. Eddleman, Clinton; Mrs. M. P. L. Berry, Clinton; Rev. Earl Brooks, Weir; Rev. C. C. Jones, Mendenhall; Rev. and Mrs. Joe T. Odle, Crystal Springs; Rev. A. B. Pierce, 2107 W. Capitol St., Jackson 39.

The following contributions made by churches to the Patterson Memorial fund and not previously reported are gratefully acknowledged by Mississippi College: Concord, Bentonia, \$10; Poplar Springs, Mendenhall, \$8.76; Prentiss, by Dr. Bryan Simmons, \$30; East End, McComb, \$100; First Baptist Church, Jackson, \$25; Clinton, \$155; West End, Laurel, \$4.50.

Leon Tyrone of Prentiss recently contributed \$100 to the enlargement program of Mississippi College.

The First church, West Point, has voted to raise \$2,000 on the hospital enlargement campaign. (Editor's note: A later report indicates that they have raised \$2,200 and the aim is now \$3,000.)

The many Mississippi friends of Rev. A. B. Wood, former pastor at Forest and now of Ninth Avenue church, Charlotte, North Carolina, will be glad to know that during the first three Sundays in December there were 33 additions by baptism. In addition to the evangelistic efforts of the pastor there was much personal work and the matter was kept before the Sunday School Worker's Council for several weeks.

The J. W. Sanders Cotton Mills, Inc., through R. D. Sanders, president, contributed \$2,500 to the Patterson Memorial Fund last week.

That the AMG (Allied Military Government) in Italy seemingly refused to help Baptists and other evangelical Christians with food and clothing sent by us to Italy? The reason given was "Recognition can only be given the established church," which in Italy is Roman Catholic.—(Bulletin of First Italian Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Penna.)

## BAPTIST HOSPITAL OFFERS EVANGELISTIC OPPORTUNITIES

Our hospital is not only a good place to carry the sick for healing of the body, but it is also a place where people are won to Christ. I refer to a man who was recently in the hospital for treatment, who was not a Christian, and I had hopes of being able to reach him for Christ, because of our contact there.

There are two other men, however, whom I had the privilege of leading to make public professions of faith there in the hospital. One a patient himself. The other, a young soldier who was there with his first and only baby. The baby was near death, and the father and mother, of course, very anxious for its life. I had the privilege of leading this soldier to make his own confession of faith in Christ as I talked with him.

Many are the other experiences which I have enjoyed there.—I. F. Metts.

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Instead of an annual call, Friendship church, Kreole, has extended an indefinite call to Rev. Jewell Golman.

Rev. M. E. Perry of Leakesville will lead in a series of evangelistic services at the Crowder Baptist Church beginning the first Sunday in March.

Terry: Our church agreed to give all the offering of December 31 to the Mississippi Baptist Hospital Enlargement Campaign. Delmas Simmons of First church, Jackson, spoke at the 11 o'clock hour. The offering amounted to \$340.—Thurman Booth, pastor.

Father Divine, the much publicized Negro fanatical preacher in New York, declares that "the trouble with most ministers is that they don't know how to tangibilize." Well, we knew that there was trouble with many ministers, but we did not know how to put our finger on the spot. Apparently Father Divine has reached the root of the evil.—Watchman-Examiner.

"Your Child Grows Toward God" is a booklet designed to enable parents, Sunday school workers and pastors to understand more fully the many relationships involved in a program of evangelism of children. According to the introduction "The great objective of Christian education is to lead each person to a deep personal experience of God through Christ." Each step is illustrated. The compiler is Pearl Rosse. The price is 15 cents and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or the publisher, The Judson Press, Room 407, 1701-03 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

At the recent session of the New Orleans Baptist Association held at the Coliseum Place Baptist Church, five new churches were admitted to the association. The total number of churches is now 36. During the year there were 577 baptisms, bringing the present membership of churches in the association up to 13,534. This is an increase over the previous year of 1,775. Officers of the association re-elected for the new year are: Mod-Baptist Church; vice-moderator, H. T. Whaley, pastor of St. Charles Avenue church; clerk, J. F. Felker, and treasurer, E. P. Patterson. The growth of Baptists in New Orleans has been phenomenal when one considers that in 1918 when the Baptist Bible Institute was organized, there were six churches in the city with a combined membership of only 1,242. The coming of both the Institute and the Southern Baptist Hospital have greatly strengthened the cause. erator, J. D. Grey, pastor of the First

## TEACHER EDUCATION IN SERVICE

Teacher Education In Service, by the American Council on Education, Washington, D. C., is a report growing out of study conducted by the American Council on Education. The commission on teacher education invited a number of school systems and colleges and universities to study together the matter of teacher education. The book sketches the work accomplished, analyzes the practices in various schools, and sets forth the educators' own interpretations and conclusions.

The title of the book does not intend to suggest that it is a study of teacher education in the armed forces of the country but rather that it is a study of teacher education while the teachers are actually engaged in teaching.

School superintendents and teachers in general who are concerned about the demands being made of their profession will want to have this study at their disposal. Although the book, consisting of 503 pages, is not indexed, its excellent table of contents makes the material readily accessible. It is published by the American Council on Education, Washington, D. C., and may be ordered direct or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$3.00.

## DR. A. H. REID SUCCEEDS DR. BARNES

Dr. A. H. Reid of Birmingham, Ala., has been elected executive secretary of the Alabama Baptist Convention. He succeeds Dr. F. M. Barnes, who recently resigned because of ill health.

Dr. Reid is an Alabamian by birth, rearing and education. He has served for years as pastor and in 1942 became leader of the Howard College Centennial Campaign. He later became leader of the campaign to pay all convention debts.

## VERNON MAY ORDAINED

Vernon May, now a student at Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, and pastor of Antioch and Hathorne churches in Prentiss county and churches in Jeff Davis county was ordained to the ministry Friday night, Dec. 22 at Mendenhall church.

The ordaining council was composed of the following: Rev. W. L. Meadows, of Quitman, who preached the ordination sermon; Rev. G. O. Parker of Magee, who gave the charge; Rev. Hollis Benton of Taylorsville, who presented the Bible; Rev. Alonzo Benton of Mendenhall, who led the ordination prayer and the pastor, Rev. Charles Jones.

Brother May is a capable young man and we are expecting great things of him as a preacher.—C. C. Jones.

## SENATE GROUP URGES ANNUAL BIBLE READING PERIOD

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Early congressional approval for a bill authorizing an annual Bible reading period was indicated here following State Judiciary Committee action referring a Senate joint resolution to the upper chamber for ratification.

The committee reported favorably on a joint resolution, sponsored by Senators Harry F. Byrd (D., Va.) and Arthur Capper (R., Kans.), which designates the period from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas of each year for nationwide Bible reading. The resolution now goes to the Senate floor after which House approval is necessary.

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# Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

**SOME MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST DATES TO BE REMEMBERED ARE:** Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, March 5-8; Blue Mountain Endowment Sunday, February 18th; Mississippi Baptist Hospital Offering Mother's Day, May 13th; September Season of Prayer W. M. U.; State Mission Day in the Sunday Schools, Sunday, October 28th; Mississippi Baptist Convention, Jackson, November 13-15; Baptist Orphanage Offering, Thanksgiving, November 22.

I  
We are sometimes asked the question, "To what missions shall we contribute?" The explanation is then made that some people want to give to local church missions, neglecting the other three; still others want to give to local church missions and Foreign Missions, neglecting the other two; some want to give to State Missions, neglecting the other three. Our answer is that we should follow the request of Jesus in this and other matters. What does He say? If He says support one and neglect the others, then let us do that. If He says support all of them, then those who really love Him will do that. John 14:15, 21, 23. In Acts 1:8 Jesus says, "Ye shall . . . in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." This may be done through going as a missionary, sending missionaries (Romans 10:15), through praying for missionaries, and thousands with whom they work, boosting missions, etc. We have a part in all of this, and more, when we send some of the Lord's money through the Cooperative Program. We may also designate monies to particular phases of the work.

Last year 1,378 of our 1,550 Mississippi Baptist churches had a part in this work. Thus you see all but 172 of these churches gave something of support in some phase of the work. That is by far the best record in Mississippi Baptist life. When we came into the work we found over 700 churches did nothing for any cause during the preceding year. There is not one thing that keeps these 172 churches from having a part in the work of Christ, except their own selfishness and disobedience. LET US MAKE IT 100% FOR CHRIST'S SAKE.

II  
The Mississippi Baptist Hospital campaign for \$200,000 cash to be used in a building expansion program was not launched in a haphazard manner. It was occasioned by a great need and launched in prayer, and with studious attention to every detail of the campaign. The major steps of the campaign were: 1. Solicitation of special gifts, large and small, from individuals and firms in Jackson and throughout Mississippi. 2. A truly great Christmas offering by the churches of our Lord. 3. Churches voting monies out of reserve for this purpose. 4. Churches placing this hospital building fund in their 1945 budget. 5. (This point did not materialize so we will not name it.) 6. An allocation from the Cooperative Program, 9 1/2%, which should bring in approximately \$30,000 during 1945. 7. Letters presenting the "Personal" and "Buddy" envelopes plan, sent to thousands of Mississippi Baptists.

THIS PHASE OF THE CAMPAIGN IS NOW WORKING AND THE REAL SUCCESS OF THE ENTIRE PLAN DEPENDS UPON A GENEROUS RECEPTION.

We appreciate the many courtesies accorded us regarding leadership in the current hospital campaign. As always, when the task is done and victory is won it will be written in large letters that the pastors and churches did the thing under the leadership of the Spirit. Christ has ordained it that way. We would not depart from it.

The splendid reception accorded the hospital campaign reflects credit upon the administration of Mrs. Gilfoy, her associates, and Mr. D. C. Simmons, president of the board, and other members. The divisional directors in the persons of Hon. E. D. Kenna, Jackson; Rev. Jas. L. Sullivan, Brookhaven; Rev. S. E. Sumrall, Bay Springs; Rev. C. Z. Holland, Canton; Rev. J. R. Reedy, Eupora; Rev. C. J. Olander, Morgan City, and Rev. Jas. B. Ray, New Albany, share largely in the fruitfulness of this campaign.

Our own office helpers have gone the "second mile" in carrying the extra load occasioned by the participation of the Convention Board office in the campaign. We certainly thank everybody concerned.

Love speaks in action! See John, chapters 13-14! Love does something about it! John 3:16! God witnesses the suffering of His people, and it is written, "In all their affliction he was afflicted," Isa. 63:9. The Lord hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath He hid His face from him," Psalm 22:24. The attitude of an individual, or a nation toward the sick and suffering indicates the degree of character and civilization attained.

Dr. H. R. Shands serves on the Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital as associate member, and renders valuable service. Dr. Shands' name was unintentionally omitted last week when names of members of the board were printed under their picture in The Baptist Record.

The first committee ordinarily reporting in the annual session of the Convention Board is the committee on budget and allocations. This committee had a heavier assignment than usual at the recent meeting. Their fine working spirit and presentation had much to do with the success of the Board meeting. The members of this committee were: C. Z. Holland, chairman, W. A. Hewitt, L. G. Sansing, R. A. Morris and G. O. Parker.

III  
It was our privilege to attend the special meeting of the Dorcas class at Parkway. Miss Eunice Sandlin, office secretary, is the very fine teacher. Dr. W. A. Bell and Mrs. Bell, pastor and wife, were present. The affair was a very happy and spiritual occasion. Such groups suggest one of the reasons for the great growth of this church.

The W. M. U. at Puckett gave a banquet and invited the men. It was our privilege to be present and bring the message. Pastor Fitzgerald leads in a fine way. Pastor J. B. Smith, Hollandale, invited us up for two services, enclosing a stewardship emphasis, and promised us a bit of relaxation. We

relaxed by speaking four times Sunday at Anguilla, Arcola, and twice at Hollandale. The folks at Arcoia and Anguilla are led by Pastor J. W. T. Siler. They worship in a lovely place and we enjoyed talking over the hospital campaign with them. Two fine congregations were also present at Hollandale where the work is going forward in great strides.

One of the most unique prayer meeting pre-Christmas programs we have witnessed took place in our own church at Clinton, with the pastor, Dr. John Newport, presiding, and nine ministers or laymen briefly treating related themes.

The B. T. U. Convention was well attended despite threatening weather and the holiday rush. The young people thrilled us. Others lifted us in our thinking and devotions. Mr. Wilds, Miss Hill and Miss Mitchell give to us excellent leadership.

The house was filled at a special recognition service for families of service men at Moselle. Brother Paul Ball is the very fine young pastor. He had planned impressive features.

We were glad to be with Dr. Ray and the other saints at Starkville in a watch night service. It rained and poured outside but the folks emanated good fellowship and spiritual life inside, and God was there. Great church. Great pastor. Brother Douglas led us to prayer as 1944 went away and as 1945 came in! Doxology!

Tarbell's Teacher's Guide is a largely used Sunday school help. We have before us the very attractive volume for 1945. Order from the Baptist Book Store. Price \$2.25.

If you desire a copy of the 1944 Convention Annual please address your request to the Convention Board office, Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi.

For sometime we have been threatening to make a speech, or write a paragraph about one of the finest young men we know. We refer to Mr. Henry Love, assistant to the pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi. Henry is really a fine Christian spirit. He is always faithful and courteous in his dealings with this office, and our Baptist work generally. He is very versatile. In all sincerity we appreciate him very much.

The Sunday School Board offers new service: "Audio-Visual Aids" is the title of a new quarterly bulletin being published by the Visual Education Service of the Sunday School Board. It will be sent free to all pastors, Sunday school superintendents, Training Union directors, and other workers who will request it.

We are in receipt of a new volume by Dr. John R. Rice, which carries the title, "The Ruin of a Christian." Some other sermon topics are: "The Curse of Hidden Sins," "The Seven-fold Sin of Those Who Do Not Win Souls," "The Sin of Lying," "Washing Dirty Feet," etc.

You will order from your Book Store.

One of our leading pastors writes that there are several unchurched areas in his association alone, with 11,000 or 12,000 unaffiliated residents, at least 4,000 or 5,000 of this number being Baptist prospects. Some people seem not to realize that we speak the truth when we say there are 150 churchless areas with 700,000 lost people in Mississippi. Truly we have neglected our Judea!

One of our Baptist chaplains, in service abroad, was recently approached by a dentist, a captain in his command, who said, "I want to put a feather in your hat. When we were back in ———, you held a service when I was almost ready to give up and perhaps break with battle exhaustion. The subject of the message was one that I will never forget, 'Thy will be done.' From that day until this, I have considered my dental work essential to the welfare of the men and now I realize God's purpose in my life. Regardless of what happens I can say, 'Thy will be done.'"

## IV

We are happy to present something of the financial record of The Baptist Record management—1939-1944 inclusive as follows:

1939 Net LOSS	\$ 6,166.18
1940 Net LOSS	7,248.47
1941 Total LOSS	5,943.57
1942 Net PROFIT	3,365.35
1943 Net PROFIT	6,899.87
1944 Net PROFIT	\$12,808.72

Until 1942 The Baptist Record was taking from \$3,000 to \$10,000 operating expense each year. Naturally, it was making a big contribution on the other hand in promotion.

We are happy, however, that since 1942, it has continued its great promotion contribution and at the same time has started turning thousands of dollars profit back into the work.

## REV. R. G. JOINER

In the home going of Rev. R. G. Joiner the writer lost one of his best friends and the Lord's work lost "a good minister of Jesus Christ." There was nothing "cheap or shoddy" about him. His devotion to the truth of God and the people was unbounded. He truly rejoiced in the truth. During the depression he served much of the time without enough remuneration to keep his car in operation, but he pressed on as though he were being amply paid. Much of his service was to people who had no other claim on him except that they were in trouble and needed him. He never denied any. He carried many cares of

his own, seldom mentioning them to his closest friends. He carried the cares of the people as though they were his own. It is small wonder that his heart failed him. Blessings on his memory.

His friend,

N. A. EDMONDS.

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Greek L. Rice, state's attorney general and a valuable member of the Board of Trustees of Mississippi College, has increased his contribution to the Patterson Memorial Fund by \$150 during the holidays.

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### A WORTHY AND CHALLENGING GOAL FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

1. Every Mississippi Baptist Church contributing through the Cooperative Program.
2. Every Mississippi Baptist Church sharing in the Now Club.
3. A summer assembly.
4. A State Brotherhood secretary.
5. A full-time worker with the Negroes.
6. A worker at Whitfield.
7. Two rural evangelists instead of one.
8. A full-time Indian worker.
9. A Baptist Building in Jackson.
10. Associational missionaries.
11. Enlarged soldier work.
12. The Baptist Record in every home.
13. A Sunday school, a Training Union, a Woman's Missionary Union, and a Brotherhood in every church.
14. A music director

### WE STILL BELIEVE IN THE SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE

Rome — (By Wireless) — Pope Pius' Christmas address on democracy is interpreted by informed sources here as a bid for inclusion of the Holy See at the peace conference.

The Pope has no right to a seat at the peace table. We believe in the separation of church and state. Some prominent Baptist, Methodist or Presbyterian would have as much right to represent his own denomination.

### WE ARE GRATEFUL

The editor of The Baptist Record takes this means to express his appreciation of every remembrance and expression of good will extended by so many friends during the Christmas season.

### A GOOD SUGGESTION

A suggestion that congregations supply automobiles for the use of ministers in their pastoral work in much the same manner that companies supply automobiles for employees who must travel in their work was made in Grand Rapids, Mich., by the Rev. Mr. Henry W. Fischer, Saginaw, chairman of the Presbyterian Synod of Michigan's ministerial relations committee. "The stipend of the minister is far too low," Mr. Fischer said while addressing the annual meeting. "Churches pay only average or minimum wages and then expect a minister to keep up his own car. Why shouldn't the church supply a minister with a car?"

The above suggestion by Rev. Henry W. Fischer is a good one. As he says, business firms either provide a car or pay car expenses for their employees. Churches could well do likewise.

We know several underpaid pastors who spend one-half or more of their salaries on car expenses.

God calls men to the ministry, but he also expects Christians to support them.

From our office window we can see girls at work. They are not even required to have a high school education. The uniforms are furnished and the hours are regular and short. Yet they receive as much salary as some of our God-called preachers.

### SIN BY ANY OTHER NAME . . .

In the current issue of Reader's Digest is a condensation of an article by Prof. Adams of Pennsylvania State College which appeared in the American Magazine. We quote from the article:

"Moralists have long contended that a vital requirement of any marriage is that neither partner have a record of physical intimacy beforehand. Frankly, I do not know. Of the engaged couples contemplating early marriage I would estimate that 75 per cent have had intimate relations with each other. Such relations do not seem to be an important factor in determining whether their eventual marriage will be happy or not."

Christian leaders and moralists have not persistently sounded out the truth of God's plan for home-building. War alone with all its evils cannot account for the lightness with which young people enter into the marriage contract whether it be performed by God's minister or in a civil ceremony.

God's plan for the propagation of the race was that the home and family should be founded on LOVE. In His Book we find the supreme example of love manifest

in God's gift of His Son to the world. Through Him sinners may be saved from their sins.

From the ministry of Jesus on earth we know that He was always ready to forgive a repentant sinner but never would He condone the sin. His public opinion made light of sin?

Christian parents, educators and leaders have a large responsibility not only in what we teach by precept but by example. Have the youth of today been disillusioned by the kind of living they have witnessed among those who "should know better"?

No matter by what names it may be called or how sin may be "dressed up" we cannot escape the fact of sin or its consequences.

Let us search the Scriptures anew not only to find God's plan for our daily living, but through prayer for ourselves and friends may we live as He would have us live. Let us regard our bodies as temples for the indwelling of His Holy Spirit. He can and will give to His children the courage necessary to take a stand for the principles of right and righteousness against wrong and the evil one.

### GOD BLESS THOSE WOMEN

Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor of the Biblical Recorder (N. C.), says someone should erect a monument to the memory of the noble women who prepare those good meals for our associations.

We already had in our mind the words below and now present them as our contribution to the monument so richly deserved by those good women.

All over our good state at association after association, this editor, along with the hundreds of people present, was invited to partake of a delicious dinner. And what dinners! And what cooks! And what variety: meats, vegetables, salads, appetizers, pies, cakes, and all done to a king's taste.

We claim few virtues but one that we do claim is the habit of telling, at each associational dinner, some of the women how much we enjoyed the results of their culinary ability.

Those good women deserve all the thanks we can give them. For days before the association they plan and work in order that a dinner fit for a king may be served.

And they always take extra pains to see that the visitors get some of the best of everything.

God bless those faithful women.

### NOW WHO IS NARROW?

While in New York in 1943 we heard Southern Baptists accused of being narrow because they would not join the Federal Council

of Churches. We again heard the charge in Chicago in 1944. Hardly a day passes that we do not read the same indictment in some of the many papers that come to our desk.

At the recent meeting of the Federal Council of Churches in Pittsburgh, Penn., the Universalists made application for membership in the Federal Council. The application was rejected.

Hence the title of this editorial, "NOW WHO IS NARROW?"

From many quarters Southern Baptists have been criticized, censured, condemned, denounced and ridiculed because we refused to affiliate with an organization that we felt would not help but harm. Whether the decision was right or wrong, it was made because we believed we were right. But many have called us "problem children" and other unfair names.

Now the Federal Council of churches composed of some of the very people who so caustically criticize Southern Baptists, practice the very same kind of narrowness that they attribute to Southern Baptists.

When is it permissible for the pot to call the kettle black?

"O! Consistency, thou art a jewel."

Secretary Rankin has a letter from Missionary John A. Abernathy written November 11, advising that he had already arrived in Kunming, Free China. He added, "No matter what happens I feel that I am in His plans, being in China now."

The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. George W. Sadler will rejoice with them in the message received by them, December 2, advising that their son, George W. Sadler, Jr., who had been reported "missing" in Holland, is alive; he is a prisoner of war in Germany.

This reviewer almost lost a whole night's sleep. We started reading "Reaching Youth for Christ" by Johnson and Cook and it was so interesting that we just kept reading until we finished it. Terry Johnson is pastor of Midwest Bible Church, Chicago, and Robert Cook is his associate. The book is a practical how-to-do-it, you-can-do-it book that presents proved, prayer-centered methods for winning today's young men and women . . . methods that bring results. Tells with enthusiasm the dramatic story of the nation-wide Youth for Christ movement that has swept the country's leading cities: New York . . . Detroit . . . Washington, D. C. . . Indianapolis . . . Philadelphia . . . St. Louis . . . Boston . . . Chicago. Sketches the miraculous development of Chicago and Youth for Christ when God again did the impossible—providing a meeting place, consecrated staff, radio outlet and city-wide backing with consistent packed-house success for 21 weeks and leading to a giant rally in Chicago Stadium. The price is \$1.00 and orders should be sent to the Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago 10, Illinois, or to the Baptist Book Store.





Baldwyn is Number 768

A recent addition to The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan is Baldwin church. Rev. Earl C. Edwards, who went there from Shuqualak, is pastor. He had the EVERY FAMILY Plan at Shuqualak and knew its value.

Pastor Edwards writes that his people are enjoying the Record. He also states that they are wonderful to him. He is preaching to full houses both morning and evening and has a wonderful group at prayer meeting. Contributions are increasing and the missionary spirit is growing.

Lee county's Record readers are listed as follows: BALDWIN 71, Bissell 19, CALVARY 222, Center Hill 3, TUPELO EAST 30, EUCLATUBA 29, GUNTOWN 36, HARRISBURG 44, NETTLETON 32, Richmond 7, SALTILLO 40, Shannon 1, SHERMAN 68, Tupelo First 5, VERONA 58, Belden 9, PRICEVILLE 21, LIMESTONE 14, MACEDONIA 10, CHESTERVILLE 15, Pleasant Hill 1, PLANTERSVILLE 55.

#### FREEDOM OF THE PRESS????

Time, October 23, page 59, reporting the incident in San Francisco, when, on September 11, the San Francisco News dared to print the story of the arrest of a Roman Catholic priest for drunken driving, accompanied by a woman. The other papers ducked the story. Immediately Archbishop John J. Mitty called the News and begged the editor to "lay off." The priest pled guilty and was fined \$250. The archbishop then called upon all Catholics to boycott the paper. He later threatened to have a letter read in every Catholic pulpit, condemning the News. And this bit of news, mind you, is from a secular magazine, not some bigoted church paper.—Word and Way.

#### MRS. S. B. CRAFT

Mrs. Martha Ann Craft, wife of the late S. B. Craft, Jr., died December third at the Methodist Hospital in Hattiesburg. For the past fifteen years Mrs. Craft had made her home in Hattiesburg. She is survived by five sons and six daughters: P. B., M. C., and A. E. Craft of Hattiesburg; Sylvester Craft, Washington, and R. L. Craft of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. A. M. Flynt, Mrs. W. M. Mauldin and Mrs. O. B. McQueen, Collins; Mrs. S. S. Stewart, Magee; Mrs. Arthur Young and Leah E. Craft, Hattiesburg. There are also 26 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Craft had been a Christian since early in life and a Baptist.

Watch for the "Buddy Envelope Plan"! It may be a secret now, but it will be divulged soon!

## THE LITTLE BAPTIST

BY J. M. MARTIN

(With special permission of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, we present this story by J. M. Martin, a popular narrative. Follow it weekly. The book, The Little Baptist, may be purchased from your Baptist Book Store.—Editor.)

### CHAPTER XVI Communion

"Mellie," said Nannie Gordon, "there is one thing that will always keep me from being a Baptist. I believe in immersion, but I can't approve of your close communion. Why, last Sunday when Dr. Farnsworth invited all Christians of every name to come to the Lord's table, there sat you and your mother, and a number of other Baptists, all looking on, and not one of you accepted the invitation. I can't see how you can do so. Does your mother think that because she has joined the Baptists, she is too good to commune with Presbyterians any more?"

"Now, Nannie," said Mellie "wouldn't it have looked strange for her to have gone and communed with them? Had they not just excluded her from their church? and for nothing else only because she said that nothing but immersion was scriptural baptism, and that infants ought not to be baptized at all? Do you suppose they wanted her to commune with them?"

"O, yes, Mellie; she is now a member of another church, and we invite all members in good standing in other churches to come to our communion," said Nannie.

"But, Nannie, do you think that being a member in another church makes my mother any better than she was when they excluded her from their communion? She has joined a church holding the very same doctrines for which she was excluded from the Presbyterians, and now, where is the consistency in inviting her, or any other Baptist, to their communion? Why should any church invite to the communion, members of other churches holding doctrines for which they would exclude one of their own members? The Baptists, Nannie, are consistent. They would exclude a member for teaching or practicing infant baptism; or for sprinkling and pouring for baptism, and they will not commune with the members of any church that believes and practices these things. Do you see any consistency in a church excluding a member one day, and the next day inviting that excluded member to commune with them, without asking any confession? If this is consistency, it is strange consistency."

"Well," said Nannie, "I don't know anything about it. I always thought the Baptists wrong about communion; perhaps it's only because I have heard others say so. I never took the trouble to look into the cause myself. It may be, after all, that they have a good reason for their course."

"You know very well," said Mellie, "that all my partiality for the Baptist church has been derived from the Bible; it was not so from choice, but because my understanding of the Scriptures compelled me to it. My early teachings were opposed to everything in that direction, but since I can only wonder that all Christians are not Baptists. I can't see how they can take the Bible for a guide and be anything else."

"Now, Mellie, tell me candidly, don't

you think that all Christians ought to commune together?" asked Nannie, with much earnestness as though she had the whole argument in a nutshell.

"Certainly I do," replied Mellie, "but the very argument that proves that they ought to commune together, proves that they ought to live together in the same church. They ought all to do just what the Bible tells them to do, and if they did they could all live together and commune together, too. But how can we have harmony without agreement, or communion without union? We do not want a mere pretended union when no real union exists. While each denomination has opposing doctrines and practices from every other, I can see no better way than for each to attend to its own business in its own way, and let the others do the same."

"I think they do that near enough," said Nannie.

"Yes," said Mellie, "they do in everything except communion. Other denominations never invite the Baptists to take a part in their church matters only when it comes to communion, and then it sometimes looks like they do it just to get an excuse to abuse us for not participating; and if they thought we would, perhaps they would not give us such pressing invitations. But then you know, Nannie, that the denominations are generally agreed that none but baptized persons have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper. And they agree, too, that immersion is Scriptural baptism. Therefore, on this ground, others can, without a sacrifice of principle, invite the Baptists. But while the Baptists deny that anything else than immersion is baptism, they can't invite others without sacrifice of principle that would bring them into confusion. Don't you see that upon this common ground, the Baptists must remain close communionists, or else endorse sprinkling and pouring as valid baptism?"

"Well, but Mellie, your church does not invite every one that has been baptized by your own ministers. There is Mr. Halladay, who once belonged to your church, you know; but since he quit and joined the Methodists to be with his wife, he is not invited to the Baptist communion, any more than if he had been only sprinkled by the Methodists. And you can't say that he has not been baptized, for Mr. Coleman, your own pastor, baptized him."

"Yes, yes," said Mellie. "I am glad that you mentioned that case, for it brings out the question on its merits. There is the point that other denominations can't see, or, rather, as it seems, won't see. It is not baptism alone that gives the right to a seat at the Lord's table; if it were, every baptized reprobate that had ever been excluded from the church might claim it. It is, strictly speaking, membership in the church that gives the right. Baptism only gives a conditional right. No one can be a member in a Baptist church without baptism, and none can come to the Lord's table without membership. So you see there are two conditions to be considered, instead of one. Baptists hold that repentance and faith are prerequisite to baptism, and that baptism is a prerequisite to membership, and that all these are prerequisite to communion. Baptists do not assume the authority of legislating for the Lord. They regard Christ as their Head and Lawgiver, and the church His executive, to see that His laws are



FRANK HUMPHREY ORDAINED

Frank Humphrey was ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry on the night of December 2, 1944, at Center Baptist Church.

The following ministers participated in the examination and ordination of the 17-year-old preacher who had been licensed to preach by the Wallerville church in May, 1943: Rev. Bilbo Lively, Rev. E. S. Hall, Rev. Ernest Rakestraw and Rev. Clark Rakestraw.

Rev. Humphrey has been called and has accepted the pastorate of the Parks church.

Chaplain Woodrow W. Herrin, of the U. S. Naval Reserve, recently made a contribution to the Patterson Memorial Fund, as did D. W. Edwin Richardson, pastor at Columbia, Tenn., and Joe Dale, Prentiss, and E. L. Herrin, of Laurel. Lt. Comdr. Charles C. Ainsworth, U. S. Navy, made a contribution to the enlargement program.

Mrs. C. P. Russell of Mashulaville is a good friend of the Record. She sends a nice club of subscriptions.

properly enforced. They regard the communion table as the Lord's, and not theirs; and they, therefore, feel authorized to only admit those who have the legal qualifications."

"Well," said Nannie, "I declare I never thought you had such arguments as these in your favor. I have always heard it charged that it was just a kind of bigoted inconsistency in the Baptists that made them so restricted in communing, but you seem to offer a reason for all you do."

"Oh yes," replied Mellie, "but you begin to see that the bigotry and inconsistency are on the other side, if there be any. It is strange that they should manifest such earnest desire to commune with us, when, if we were members with them, holding and teaching as we do, they would exclude us as they did my mother."

"Come, Mellie, don't charge us with more than we are guilty of. I hope we are not as inconsistent as that," said Nannie.

"Why, Nannie, have not the Presbyterians refused to let my mother live in the church with them? And, then, have they not afterward invited her to commune with them, and some of them even abused her for not doing so? Now, the Baptists will not commune with any that they will not live with, nor will they live with any they will not commune with, and, again, they will not commune with those who will not live in the church with them. And this I can true consistency," said Mellie.

(Continued next week)



# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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### Preparation For Home Mission Season of Prayer

One of the first things that we need to do is to make plans for the study of a Mission Study Book, preferably on Home Missions. The Home Mission Board is publishing a new series of historical books, concerning the work of our Home Mission Board through this century. A telegram from the Board tells us that the books are due from the printer Jan. 6th. So place your order with the Baptist Book Store immediately.

**Epochs of Home Missions** by Mr. Joe Burton (price 50c) is the book for the women and Y. W. A.'s to study. This is a popularly written account of the significant developments in the hundred years of Southern Baptist missions in the South.

**The Westward Way**, by Mrs. Amy Compere Hickerson (price 50c), traces the spreading influence of Home Missions as Baptist pioneers followed closely social and economic expansion. (This book is for Intermediates.)

The study of these books should be a challenging study of the work of this board as we make plans for the Season of Prayer on Home Missions.

### An Appeal to the Women and Young People of Woman's Missionary Union

Dear Workers Together with Christ:

My heart is overflowing with joy over the glorious results of the Annie Armstrong offering for 1944. The total amount from this offering has reached (November 1) \$381,308.60. This is a triumphant expression of love from our women and young people for the cause of home missions. For this splendid offering I extend to you my most hearty congratulations.

My appeal to you now is to make Christ King in our homeland. If I know my own mind, I am supremely concerned about the coming of the Kingdom of God as a whole and my soul's absorbing desire is to have Christ enthroned as King in all the world. But I sincerely believe that right now the best and quickest way to world evangelism is to enthrone Christ in the life of America.

I do not know how long this war will last. It may go on for several years. But, when the war ends, the world will need Christ. Our task as a denomination is to prepare our homeland, spiritually, to give Christ to the world when peace is declared and order established.

This makes missions in the homeland a present and superlative need. Whatever else we do, the evangelization of our land and the mobilization of the homeland forces for the world's evangelization must not be overlooked or sidetracked to an unimportant place. The task of getting ready for an all-out crusade for Christ when the war is over is of vast and vital moment. The evangelization of our homeland is imperative if we would be spiritually prepared for the world's evangelization when the opportunity arrives. We must prepare now for the hour when we shall be called upon to lead a distraught world into the

peace of Christian fellowship.

There never was a time when home missions was more important and more vitally related to the Kingdom of God than now. We are facing new issues, new conditions, now problems. These call for new emphasis. Woe unto us if we do not read aright the signs of the times; if we fail to evangelize and Christianize the Indians and foreigners and Negroes in our midst; if we fail to reach the twenty-two million people who are unchurched; if we fail to win with the Gospel of Christ the lost in our growing and worldly-minded cities; if we fail to develop in the heart of our Baptist people a passion for the lost because they are lost; if we fail to develop vital, verile, functioning New Testament churches and a vital, virile, functioning denomination; if we fail in these things—no matter what else we may do—we are doomed ultimately to fail in our effort to evangelize and Christianize the nations of the world.

This country of ours is destined and will actually become the leader of the world in material development. It will produce the mechanical devices by which the life of the world will be transformed. If we evangelize our homeland and mobilize the evangelized for world conquest, using the mechanical devices the new age will furnish us, together with the multitude of missionaries we will be able to employ, we can preach the Gospel to every creature on the face of the earth in one generation.

"There is a tide in the life of men which, if taken at the flood, leads on to victory!" That tide has now come in the on-going of the Kingdom of God for Southern Baptists. Let us take it at the flood and enthrone Christ in our homeland that we may be able to make Him King in all the world. I am appealing to the women and young people of Woman's Missionary Union to give of their best for the accomplishment of this desired end.

Praying the Lord's richest blessings on you.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

J. B. LAWRENCE,  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer.

Caixa 320, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
December 18, 1944

Dear Friends of the Mississippi  
W. M. U.:

My first word is one of sympathy to you in the loss of your very efficient, untiring and faithful executive secretary, Miss Fannie Traylor. I know you feel her going very deeply. It does not seem right to think of the W. M. U. of Mississippi with her not there. She has left us, but her influence will live on for ever and ever in the lives of all who knew her. Only eternity will reveal the blessing and benediction her life was to me.

One of the last things she said to me when I visited her office on October 7th, was that she wanted to be about the Master's business when the summons to come up higher came to her. In this her wish was gratified. She fell quietly asleep thinking about and making plans for the work of our

Mississippi Union. Our loss is heaven's gain and we know God never makes a mistake. My prayer is that many young women will surrender their all upon the altar of service and be a channel of blessing like our Miss Traylor was.

I have been back at my post of duty almost two months. I did not have many adjustments to make as I came back to my same office and home and it did not take me long to get into the work. I am now beginning to feel that I have never been away. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen of Amory, Mississippi, and Fort Smith, Arkansas, the couple with whom I have lived 20 years, left November 27th for their much deserved furlough. Miss Ray Buster and I are keeping their home while they are away and are having some interesting experiences. We don't have much time to stay there during the day as we both work in the publishing house, I in the W. M. U. department, and she is helping Mr. Cowser.

This is a very busy season for us—commencement, plans for Christmas and watch night services, and getting ready for the Brazilian National Convention which is to convene in January and will be held at the college—both college and college church acting as hostess. I belong to the college church and naturally feel that some of the responsibility of everything moving off nicely is mine. We have already worked out the program for the W. M. U. meeting and hope all who come will be greatly benefited.

We are happy over the way the Day of Prayer was observed in Brazil. My church felt that it was a day that will never be forgotten. We began with an early morning prayer-meeting promoted by the Y. W. A. There are nineteen girls in this Y. W. A. and twelve of them came for the early prayer meeting. Miss Almeida had worked out the program for W. M. S. and Y. W. A. members in the form of a trip around the world. With our large map of the world, the girls who had part on the program traced the trip from country to country pausing to tell about the work in each place, to tell a human interest story regarding some, after which were presented the requests for prayer. They began at six-thirty and closed at eight a. m. In the afternoon W. M. S. members had the same program at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Porters. At night all the church came together and observed the evening program with different organizations taking part. A generous offering was taken which is to be divided equally between Home and Foreign Missions.

You friends can never know how much I did enjoy meeting you while on my furlough, and from the very depth of my heart I thank you for everything you did to make it a very pleasant and profitable year. My wish for each of you is that 1945 will bring you many rich and abiding experiences.

Yours sincerely,

MINNIE LANDRUM.

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????—What is the "Buddy Envelope Plan"? Watch for it! You will be seeing about it soon!

### MRS. MYRA SMITH WASHBURN

The Brandon Baptist Woman's Missionary Union is shocked and bereaved by the passing of one of its most beloved member, Mrs. Myra Smith Washburn. Although unable to attend its services for several years, due to ill health, she was with us in spirit and always concerned about the welfare of her church. As long as health permitted, her lovely flowers, which she grew with much pride, were a source of joy and pleasure to all who attended the Brandon Baptist Church.

Whereas: She served her church, her community and her family. Her devotion and faithfulness to these will truly be missed.

Whereas: She was an outstanding person whose advice was always sought and highly regarded.

Whereas: She will not be with us any more in person, her wholesome influence will abide with us through the years.

Be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to The Baptist Record and one kept in the minutes of the W. M. U.

Signed: Mrs. R. R. Busick,  
Mrs. R. D. Alliston.

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WALTER EDWIN STILL, SR.

On November 1, 1944, Deacon Walter Edwin Still, Sr., passed away at his home. He was a faithful member of his church and a lover of his home and family. He is truly missed. His granddaughter is the fourth generation to live on the home site.

We feel keenly our great loss in his departure, miss his Christian support in Sunday school and church services. His influence was always for the good of his community, church and school. He was a school trustee for several years. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

In this way we desire to pay tribute and show out love and appreciation for him and the ideals he held in this life.

Therefore be it resolved: First, that we grieve not as those who have no hope, for our loss is heaven's gain.

Second, that we remember his influence and Christian example of faithfulness in his church, his loyalty to his home and family, as a guide to greater loyalty and service in our lives to the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.

REV. G. A. MCGREW,  
DEACON C. L. TIMS,  
DEACON W. L. COOPER.

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### DOUBLE FUNERAL FOR VERELLS

The Arbor Grove Baptist congregation was shocked and grieved when it learned that Brother C. E. Verell and his wife, Mrs. Ola Verell were fatally injured in a car wreck on the night of December 23 at Gibson, south of Okolona on highway 45-W. They were good friends and ever ready to help each of us.

We feel that Arbor Grove church and Chickasaw county have sustained a personal loss. Brother Verell was chairman of the deacons and Mrs. Verell was a teacher in the Sunday school. Their last service rendered to the church was the decorating of it for the Christmas service. They had many of the Christian graces: kindness, humility, faith, love, and many more. They will be truly missed. It is given to few people to live and die so well-beloved. Funeral services were conducted from Arbor Grove church, December 27 at 2:00 p. m. by the pastor.—W. C. Ballard.

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Meadville church, W. C. Stewart, pastor, is on the Glory Roll for Blue Mountain College endowment campaign.





**Okolona Joins EVERY FAMILY Group**

A recent addition to the EVERY FAMILY list is Okolona, George Gay, pastor. Not only has Okolona adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan, but has also increased its annual budget by \$2,000, one thousand of which goes to the Cooperative Program.

The church has been redecorated and the inside has been remodelled. The Sunday school is standard and the Training Union is A-1.

Chickasaw county's Record readers: AMITY 13, Houlika 7, Houston 22, OKOLONA 115, Pleasant Grove 7, Van Vleet 5, Woodland 2, Egypt 10, Skuna Valley 1, MT. OLIVE 22, SHILOH 12, College Hill 1, UNION CHAPEL 21, PLEASANT RIDGE 17, ARBOR GROVE 13, BETHEL 17, SCHOONER VALLEY 21.

In sending in the monthly payment for Mt. Olive church, Tippah county, Mrs. J. T. Mullikin writes: "Mt. Olive Baptist Church members are taking a more active interest in promoting the cause of Christ since starting the EVERY FAMILY Plan."

**LT. 'LEFTY' FULTON REPORTED WOUNDED ON PELELIU ISLAND**  
Former Choctaw Grid Star Recovering in Naval Fleet Hospital

Lt. Wilson (Lefty) Fulton, of Neshoba, one of Mississippi College's greatest athletes, has been wounded on Peleliu Island in the Pacific.

His wife, the former Ophelia Blanton, of Durant, said that a War Department message received by his family stated that Lt. Fulton had been permanent disabled in one eye and was also wounded in the legs, when a truck blew up on the island. He is now receiving medical attention in a fleet hospital.

At Mississippi College, Fulton took an active part in athletics and student affairs. He served as president of the student body his senior year and secretary of the student body his junior year.

A four-letter man in athletics, Lt. Fulton gained national recognition in football by being selected on the Little All-America and All-Dixie Conference teams. He won All-Dixie honors in both football and basketball for two successive years, and was also a mainstay on the baseball and track teams.

Lt. Fulton was a member of all of the important councils and organizations that were related to student government at Mississippi College. He was voted by the students as the "Most Popular" student and "Best Athlete."



**MRS. WM. A. ST. JOHN**

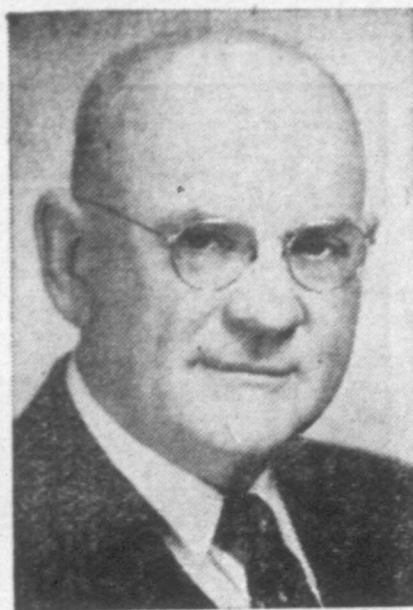
began her work at Highland church, Meridian in November as assistant to the pastor, Rev. E. L. Byrd. Her work deals largely with a visitation program, as director of three younger choir groups, and with the promotion of the work of all the organizations of the church. She is a graduate of Central High school of Nashville, Tenn., and also of Ward-Belmont College for girls of the same city. Before coming to Meridian she had been employed for two years in the art department of the Sunday School Board in Nashville. She had been a member of the Judson Memorial Baptist Church for fourteen years, and active in all its work. While a student at Ward-Belmont Mrs. St. John was active in B. S. U. work on Vanderbilt University campus.

**ORPHANAGE GROUP VISITS GRENADA**

When the choir from the Baptist Orphans' Home sang at the State Convention in November, they made such an impression on Rev. G. E. Wiley, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Grenada, that he asked Supt. Mize to bring the children to Grenada to sing for the church there. He accepted, and on December 17, made the trip to Grenada, taking thirty-one of the boys and girls, besides Miss Lois Page, their director, and Mr. Woody Watkins, accompanist. After the children had sung several selections, Superintendent Mize spoke, delivering an evangelistic message, rather than a talk on the orphans' home, and when the invitation to accept Christ and unite with the church was extended, there were six additions by baptism, and one by letter.

Immediately after this service, the entire group retired to the recreation room of the church, and there they were served a lovely Christmas dinner. At the close of this meal, gifts were presented to each of the guests. The pastor acted as Santa Claus, and Misses Margaret Green and Sue Vandiver were his assistants. Every package was an individual gift from an individual donor, Brother Mize having been requested to send the names of those participating in advance. The church had already made a liberal contribution to the home, but several hundred dollars in addition was given that morning, besides the personal Christmas presents.

The Grenada church and pastor recommend this method of making the young people happy, and also consider it a splendid way to keep the home before the people.



**DR. DODD IS RADIO SPEAKER**

Dr. M. E. Dodd, the Baptist Hour speaker for Sunday morning, January 14, is leading Southern Baptists in an all-out Southwide Crusade to win one million souls to Christ in 1945, the Centennial year of Southern Baptists.

The one thing needful now is for Southern Baptists to catch something of the spirit and fire of Dr. Dodd and his associates in this movement. This broadcast affords that opportunity. Let every pastor, Sunday school officer and teacher, Baptist Training Union director and leader, Woman's Missionary Union worker, Brotherhood member—let all Baptist leaders together with every member of every Baptist church hear that message by this chosen Crusade leader of Southern Baptists.

The Baptist Hour is broadcast over an independent Southern network of 36 stations and can be heard in Mississippi over WCBI of Columbus, WSLI of Jackson, WSM of Nashville, Tennessee, and WKWH of Shreveport, Louisiana.

**CARPENTER SAYS CHAPLAINS NEEDED NOW**

According to Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Home Board superintendent of camp work, recently a meeting was held in Washington of thirty-two denominational representatives responsible for recruiting chaplains. Leading government and military officials emphasized the importance of the chaplains' spiritual ministry in the armed forces and the tragic need for additional chaplains. Vice President Henry A. Wallace, Under-Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, Under-Secretary of the Navy Ralph A. Barr, General George C. Marshall, Admiral Ernest J. King and others were earnest in their appeal.

From January to July, 1945, Southern Baptists are requested to supply 164 additional chaplains to the army and ninety to the navy. The present rate of new applications received is not sufficient for replacement needs, much less to fill this additional request.

Our nation is very much at war. There is no indication the end is near. The chaplains most important ministry will be in the months following actual combat. Our job is not done when the victory is won.

The armed forces will likely call for as many additional chaplains during 1945 and 1946 as they did during 1944. Our job is not done when the victory is won.

Watch for the "Buddy Envelope Plan! It may be a secret now, but it will be divulged soon!

**FIRST OF THE NEW TESTAMENT EDITIONS OF "PICTURE STORIES FROM BIBLE IS PUBLISHED FOR BOYS AND GIRLS**

**Life of Christ is Treated Reverently in Full Color Continuity**

The life of Christ has been faithfully and reverently recorded for children all over America in the form they read most avidly—the colored, comic technique. M. C. Gaines, leading publisher and originator of comic magazines in America is the creator of "Picture Stories from the Bible."

The popularization of the New Testament has been written under the careful supervision of an Editorial Advisory Council of nationally known Protestant ministers and religious educators.

The New Testament is being pictorialized chronologically in three separate editions, the first of which is now on sale at newsstands and book stores. This first edition narrates the birth and life of Christ; the second the events of His closing years, including His death and crucifixion, and the third will tell of Peter and Paul and the early Christian church.

A map showing Palestine at the time of Jesus and a chronological index of the principal events and scripture references are included in edition one.

In announcing the publication of the New Testament series in this revolutionary form, Mr. Gaines said:

"Our intention in publishing the story of Christ in the colored continuity technique, is to familiarize boys and girls with the greatest drama of living history. We have made every effort to preserve the dignity and reverence of the New Testament. We have, of course, simplified the language and dramatized the incidents, always avoiding the cheap and sensational.

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**WE ARE SORRY**

We recently mailed to every pastor and superintendent in the state brief tracts on Standards, Training, and Vacation Bible schools. On the title page of the one on Standards we intended using a plural subject, "Programs," but through an error the "s" was omitted, thus making the sentence one with a singular subject and a plural verb.

Also, in the testimony of Brother L. W. Ferrell in the leaflet on Training, the printer omitted the word "Jackson" in giving the name and place of the church. However, both church and pastor are well known by Mississippi Baptists.

E. C. WILLIAMS.

Mantee: A letter from Pastor Leroy Boland says that the budget for 1945 is 25% greater than for one for 1944. He also states that Mantee has voted to send the Record to all service men of the church.



## MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

January 15—W. R. Roberts, associate Sunday school secretary; W. M. U. Institutes at Noxapater and Parkway churches, Jackson, on January 23; Rev. H. J. Logan, Bolivar county Convention Board, Memphis.

January 16—W. M. U. Institutes at Forest on January 24; Dr. Ernest Cox, dean, Blue Mountain College, and Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, superintendent, Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

January 17—W. M. U. Institutes at Raleigh on January 25; Rev. L. F. Haire, Calhoun county Convention Board member, and Rev. Wyatt Hunter, Mississippi College trustee.

January 18—Rev. Chester Molpus, Blue Mountain College trustee; Rev. T. W. Talkington Woman's College trustee, and Dr. H. E. Spell, Ministerial Board of Education.

January 19—D. C. Simmons, trustee, Baptist Hospital; W. N. Taylor, orphanage trustee, and Miss Bess Eva Schilling, Convention Board bookkeeper.

January 20—Rev. W. L. Meadows, committee on social service; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, committee on temperance, and S. L. Stringer, Clarke College trustee.

January 21—Harry Smallwood, Brotherhood committee; Leland Speed, Baptist Foundation trustee, and Rev. C. J. Olander, committee on aged ministers.

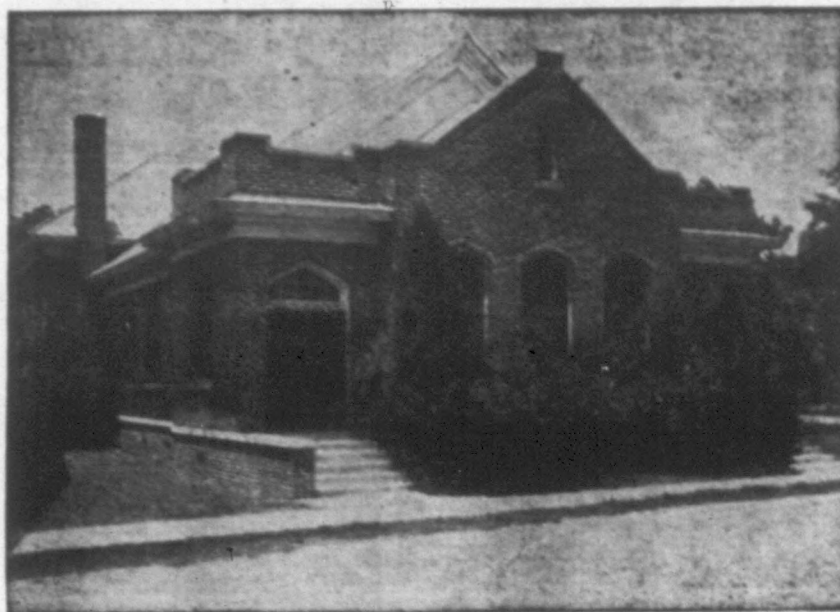
## CRUSADE DIRECTOR OFFERS SUGGESTIONS

Associational Crusade Committees:

Mississippi Baptists have undertaken the work of the Centennial Crusade with unbounded enthusiasm. In order, however, to prevent this enthusiasm from becoming a temporary flare, it is necessary to hang our activities upon definite pegs of procedure. Your evangelistic director, therefore, would like to suggest the following labors of love:

1. Meet regularly to plan and check results with the all-consuming purpose of thoroughly working your association in this greatest, all-time, soul winning march.
2. Carefully map out your territory so that no part of it will escape an intensive program.
3. Assign to each member of the committee a definite zone of responsibility.
4. Plan and promote at least two associational-wide days of prayer.
5. Organize and carry out a simultaneous, city-wide revival.
6. Contact churches nearest to churchless areas and get them to assume responsibility for a mission Sunday school, a mission Vacation Bible school, and a home, school, or brush arbor revival.
7. Get churches nearest churchless areas to accept responsibility for a monthly visitation day in this territory at which time tracts will be placed in every home.
8. Work with the pastor of every church in your association looking toward his congregation doing the following things: (1) Adoption and execution of the Crusade calendar of activities. (2) Selection of a church crusade committee. (3) Organization of a soul winners' band. (4) Having at least two revivals. (5) Fostering a mission Sunday school, a mission Vacation Bible school, and a home, school, or brush arbor revival in the area near this church. (6) Regular, systematic distribution of tracts. (7) A stewardship revival. (8) Appointment of a functioning, conservation of results committee. (9) An associational-wide

## FRUIT OF STATE MISSIONS



ROLLING FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

## Rolling Fork Pastor

REV. VAN H. HARDIN  
ROLLING FORK BAPTISTS  
DEDICATE CHURCH

On Sunday, December 10, 1944, the Rolling Fork Baptist Church was dedicated to the Lord.

The services consisted of: special music by the choir; reading of the church history by the pastor, Rev. Van H. Hardin; sermon by Dr. D. A. McCall; dedicatory prayer by a former pastor, Rev. Barry B. Hall; dedication by pastor and congregation.

In the afternoon, a service of appreciation was held by Rev. B. B. Hall and the pastor, Brother Hardin, who presented tokens of appreciation for long and faithful services to those who had served more than twenty years. Rev. J. A. Barnhill, a former pastor, gave the message to go forward.

The Rolling Fork Baptist Church is the fruit of the convention board's missionary zeal. Rev. Lewis Ball of Blue Mountain was sent into the Delta during the year 1874, lived at Rolling Fork about two years, organizing a Baptist church. Because of his family's health, he moved back to Blue Mountain in 1875, but came back often to hold meetings, and finally organized the church again in March 1889. This organization was a lasting one, and has grown from a weak handful of workers to a full time church with stewardship revival.

Stay on your knees for victory.

Sincerely yours,

W. A. BELL,  
Evangelistic Director.

a membership in church and Sunday school of more than 200.

During the course of years, pastors who have served the church were: Lewis Ball, P. S. Rodgers, P. I. Lipsey, J. B. Polk, W. L. A. Stranberg, J. M. Lewis, E. T. Mobberly, S. R. Young, C. K. Burr, Z. T. Sullivan, A. Y. Youngberg, N. T. Hamilton, J. A. Barnhill, Madison Flowers, W. B. Abel, J. A. Lee, Barry B. Hall, W. W. Ferguson, Van H. Hardin.

Some of the outstanding workers were and are: the Dinkins family, the Watson family, the Alexander family, the Anderson family, the Casey family, Mrs. M. E. Payne, Mrs. Ellis Passmore, the Williamson family, Mrs. M. Russell, Mrs. A. L. Neal, Mrs. J. S. Joore, Mrs. Eula Shropshire and sons, Mrs. J. E. Gates and family, Mr. H. G. Carpenter and daughters, the Sandifer family, the Williams family, the Miller family, the Smiths, the Simmons family, the Brands, the Bishops, the Luceford family, the Hogue family, the Pressons, Mrs. Hurst, the McCaas, the Lees, the Chennaults, the Virdens, the Turners, the Fleeman family, Mrs. Lamendorf, Mrs. Carter and sons, Mrs. Sharbrough, the Blankenships, the Bournes, the Prices, the R. D. Walkers, the Warnock family, Mrs. Locashio, Mrs. McElroy, the Hinton, the Wells, the Schmitz.

The Sunday school superintendent is H. G. Carpenter; he has held the office, together with that of deacon and church treasurer, for twenty-five years. J. W. Miller is director of the Training Union and is also a deacon. Other deacons are Fred Hinton, E. K. Presson, Thomas Brand.

The Medal of Honor was given to Miss Olive Alexander, who has been a member of the church for fifty-two years. Much credit is due this fine Christian woman for the faithful service that she has rendered. She was instrumental in founding the first Sunday school and has always been ready to promote any phase of the Lord's program.

Pfc. Hershell George whose latest address was Paris, France, in asking that his address be changed writes: "The Baptist Record has certainly been a help to me and I appreciate it lots. (Here is said some nice things about the editor which we omit.) Paris is one of the most interesting cities I have seen on my travels." (Editor's note: There are none more faithful to the pastor than Hershell.)

Coldwater church, Neshoba county, has called Rev. Ray Megginson as pastor.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES  
By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.

## Called and Accepted

John MacGuire, state mission secretary, Fla.

Paul Roberts, Decatur, Ala.

J. F. Ray, Milton, Fla., from Ashland, Ala.

Ray Dunn, Kingston, Tenn., from Philadelphia.

Lloyd G. Nevell, Campton, Ky.

Earl Morris, Van Leer, Ky., from Campton, Ky.

Arthur L. Walker, Pruden, Tenn., from Spring City.

Hoke H. Shirley, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., from First, Ocala.

H. S. Fox, Southside, Charlotte, N. C.

John L. Lilly, Mars Hill, N. C., from Apex.

H. Fletcher Lambert, missionary, Raleigh, N. C., and vicinity.

J. P. Baker, Rhodhiss, N. C., from East Marion, N. C.

W. J. Stephenson, Temple, Wilmington, N. C.

R. Von King, Eller Memorial, Greensboro, N. C.

E. C. Roach, Denton, N. C.

N. S. Joyner, Waxhaw, N. C.

R. Houston Smith, First, Arkadelphia, Ark., from Bossier City, La.

H. H. Hobbs, Dauphin Way, Mobile, Ala., from Emmanuel, Alexandria, La.

S. F. Toutxnot, Jones Creek Association, Parish, La.

Lawrence Ferriell, Rocky Bayou Association, Ark.

Otto Whittington, director rural missions, State Board, Ark.

C. C. Roberts, state missionary, Fort Smith, Ark.

R. E. Dawdy, assistant pastor, First, Washington, D. C.

Fred C. Eastham, superintendent evangelism, Home Mission Board.

Ryland Knight, Pulaski, Va., from Atlanta, Ga.

W. F. Pool, Wells, Texas, from Central Brownfield Association.

R. E. Cain, Greenwood, Texas, from Aubrey.

Paul Barber, West End mission, Sweetwater, Texas.

Cooper Waters, Norhill, Houston, Tex., from Cisco.

E. A. Ingram, superintendent city missions, Beaumont and Port Arthur, Texas.

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## SGT. JAMES E. SLAY (1926-1944)

On November 12, 1944, this community was saddened by the death of Sgt. James E. Slay. He was serving his country in Holland when death occurred on October 26, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Slay, Harperville, Miss.

Besides his parents he leaves his wife, Mrs. Louise H. Slay of Meridian; three brothers, Ronald Slay of U. S. M. C.; L. J. Slay of Meridian; Guion Slay of Hattiesburg; two nieces and one nephew and numerous other relatives.

His going places the first Gold Star on our Honor Roll and the loss is keenly felt by all who knew this splendid young man and especially by the members of the Union Ridge Baptist Church where he had been a member for some years. He will be greatly missed when our boys come marching home.

Therefore be it resolved, that we, the members of Union Ridge church, Lena, Miss., do hereby express sincere sorrow in his death.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and a copy to The Baptist Record.

MRS. L. R. JONES, Church Clerk.

## —BR—

This "Buddy Envelope Plan"—what is it, anyway? Keep your eyes open as it will be coming your way soon.

Texas Baptists are to have a department of music. J. D. Riddle, director of music and education in First church, Lubbock, Texas, has been elected secretary of this department.



OVER THE TOP FIVE MONTHS  
AHEAD

By Louie D. Newton

The above title may not immediately make sense, and it might even be challenged by strict grammarians, but it certainly does mean something to lots of Southern Baptists, and I am going to beg the editors to pass the grammatical aspects of the question.

It refers to the effort launched in Baltimore in 1940 to secure 500,000 subscribers to the eighteen state Baptist papers by the Centennial Convention in May, 1945, and what I am happy to tell you is that as of December 1, 1944, we had a total of 514,665 subscribers, with six papers not reporting since April 1, 1944. When you recall the fact that the total circulation of the eighteen papers on June 1, 1940, was 109,683, you will somewhat understand the sense of joy which many of us have in this title—over the top five months ahead.

The following table of comparative circulation will be interesting:

Paper	1940 Circu- lation	1945 goal	Dec. 1944 Circu- lation
The Alabama Baptist	9,744	39,882	25,002
Arizona Baptist			
Beacon	1,000	315	2,000
Arkansas Baptist	6,558	15,437	21,000
California Southern Baptist			800*
Florida Baptist			
Witness	9,520	15,906	20,000
Christian Index	11,500	53,311	33,394
Illinois Baptist	3,600	8,136	8,500*
Western Recorder	18,000	40,464	33,420
Baptist Message	10,870	19,045	20,500*
Maryland Baptist	1,400	2,224	2,000*
The Baptist Record	20,033	28,271	46,202
The Word and Way	8,000	27,308	15,000*
The Baptist New			
Mexican	1,450	2,120	6,500*
Biblical Recorder	13,589	51,609	28,071
Baptist Messenger	12,500	23,714	33,000
Baptist Courier	10,000	28,746	39,244
Baptist and			
Reflector	7,500	40,733	32,432
Baptist Standard	46,736	73,844	135,000
Religious Herald	8,000	26,999	12,600

(\*—April 30, 1944, circulation.)

## Wonderful Cooperation

There has been a wonderfully fine spirit of cooperation in this south-wide effort to increase the circulation of the state Baptist papers. The editors asked the 1940 Convention to appoint a committee to help in this effort. Each state had its committee, in most cases the state secretary serving as a chairman. Without a single exception, there has been wonderful cooperation, as the results indicate. Most of the increased circulation is due to the budget plan, by which I mean that the local churches have put the paper in their budgets. This is, undoubtedly, the surest way to ultimately sustain an increased circulation for our papers. There are varying details in the plan in the respective states, but it all comes back to the basic idea of the church putting the paper in the homes of the people. It is a sound investment in the furtherance of the Kingdom of God.

It is my hope that we will reach a total circulation of 600,000 by the time the Convention meets next May. And I hope we will then undertake to reach a total circulation of 1,000,000.

## Why Not One Million?

We will have close to 6,000,000 members of the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention by the time the Centennial Convention is held. Why should we not undertake to secure at least one million subscribers to our state Baptist papers?

Our Catholic friends in the United

J. A. TRAVIS BECOMES ASSOCIATED  
WITH MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

By D. M. Nelson, President

The Board of Trustees of Mississippi College at its meeting on December 4, 1944, elected J. A. Travis assistant to the president, in charge of public relations. He comes to us from the State Department of Education, where for the past ten years he has rendered superior service. In commenting on his departure, Supt. J. A. Vandiver, of the state department, said, "We greatly regret to lose Mr. Travis. He has done exceptionally fine service in our department and has been appreciated for his great leadership."

Mr. Travis was graduated from Mississippi College in 1917. He received his Master's degree from Peabody College for Teachers and has done further work in the University of Chicago. For a number of years he served as superintendent of schools at Duck Hill, Meadville, and Eupora; and was at one time business manager of Blue Mountain College. His record in all of these positions was outstanding.

Mr. Travis comes to us January 15. He will throw himself immediately into the enlargement campaign and carry Mississippi College to our people, setting forth her needs and what she has to offer. He will speak in high schools, churches, and wherever and whenever the opportunity presents itself. He will organize Mississippi College clubs in various sections of the state, interview people of means, seeking to convince them that an investment in Mississippi College will produce satisfying and permanent dividends.

We commend Mr. Travis to our

States have something like 22,000,000 members, or "population," as the World Almanac reports it; and they have, according to the Catholic Press Directory, for 1942, 332 church publications with a total circulation of 8,925,665. This circulation includes seven daily newspapers, 125 weeklies, 127 monthly magazines, etc. During the 1943 National Catholic Press Month, one paper, the Catholic Herald Citizen, Milwaukee, secured 46,317 new subscribers. Our Catholic friends believe in their papers, and they support them with their subscriptions, and they read them.

May we not, encouraged by the fine record of increased circulation of our state Baptist papers since 1940, undertake to secure at least one million subscribers by 1950? I believe we can, and I hope we will. Meanwhile, let us rejoice in the fact that we have gone over the top in our centennial goal, five months ahead of time.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CALLED  
TO DETERMINE HOLDING OF  
CENTENNIAL CONVENTION

Immediately following issuance of order by War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes, banning all conventions in 1945, after February 1, with an attendance of more than fifty persons, I got in touch with Mr. Byrnes, through the courtesy of Senator Walter F. George, asking for some opinion from Mr. Byrnes regarding the centennial session of the Southern Baptist Convention, May 8-13, 1945.

After conference with Mr. Byrnes and Colonel Johnson, Senator George sent me the following telegram, dated January 6, 1945:

"Hon. J. M. Johnson, director ODT, designated chairman of committee to pass upon all convention applications. Committee will meet as soon as possible to formulate rules and give due publicity. Until application is made, Colonel Johnson will not make final decision. Suggest that you file application with Colonel Johnson, stating size of convention and the area covered by its representatives among other things. Signed, Walter F. George."

I then called Dr. Austin Crouch, executive secretary, and Dr. J. Howard Williams, president of the executive committee, and reviewed with them what I had done. They concurred in the suggestion that the executive committee meet and determine what we should do in light of the above facts. The meeting is called in Nashville, February 6-7.

I tried to assure Mr. Byrnes that Southern Baptists will cooperate to the limit of their ability in meeting the unprecedented emergency now confronting our nation. Until the executive committee meets and reaches a decision, all plans for the Centennial Convention will be held in abeyance. Our people will be in prayer for the leading of the Holy Spirit.

LOUIE D. NEWTON, Chairman,  
Centennial Committee.

Atlanta  
January 6, 1945.

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Terry Baptist Church, Rev. Thurman Booth, pastor, gave \$324 as a Christmas offering to the hospital campaign. This is a little more than \$2.00 per member, as they have only 145 members.

people. He is a stalwart Christian and a great Baptist. He comes from a great Baptist family, who have been patrons and supporters of Mississippi College for a long time. With his training and experience, wide acquaintance and deep consecration, he will be a tower of strength for Mississippi College during the critical days ahead. We commend him most heartily to the brotherhood.

Fulton church, A. M. Overton, pastor, is on the Glory Roll for the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

Ira L. Hudson is clerk of Lafayette County Association and a good one. We have this statement on a copy of the minutes which have been received. They are well prepared and attractively presented. The minutes show that for the past associational year there were: 125 baptisms; total membership 2,922; 20 churches; 15 Sunday schools; 1,222 enrolled in Sunday school; three churches with Training Unions; Training Union enrollment 112; 5 churches with W. M. U. organizations; local contributions \$20,338; total mission and benevolence contributions \$4,815.

The W. M. U. of First church, Brookhaven, contributed as their Thanksgiving offering to the orphanage to purchase a baking oven for their kitchen. This oven consists of four baking units and has already been installed.

Joe Walley, Clerk of Greene County Association has sent us a copy of the 1944 minutes. From the minutes we have gained the following facts: number of churches 18; baptisms 104; total membership 2,076; Sunday school enrollment 7887; 2 Vacation Bible schools; 4 churches have Training Unions with enrollment of 146; 14 churches made contributions to the Cooperative Program and 17 churches made gifts to outside causes.

Adventura in Burma, told in pictures is a 64-page book published by the Judson Press, Philadelphia, Pa. If you want to teach missions, a very good way is by the use of pictures. This book, adapted by Kenneth L. Wilson from Tales of a Waste Basket Surgeon and news stories illustrated by W. H. Wickham uses the picture method. It teaches missions in an unforgettable way. The price is 40 cents and orders should be sent to the publisher or to the Baptist Book

Chaplain Nelson F. Davis, Jr., who has been located at Fort Devens, Mass., would like for his friends to note that his address is now changed to: Chaplain (1st Lt.) Nelson F. Davis, Jr., 0-927310, A.S.F.T.C., 1st Regiment, Camp Sibert, Alabama.

The First church of Dyer, Tenn., recently closed a revival led by Rev. L. W. Ferrell, pastor, Griffith Memorial church, Jackson. Rev. F. W. Gillespie is pastor. There were 12 additions.

Rev. R. W. Lackey, former executive secretary of the California Southern Baptist Convention has been elected general missionary for that Convention. They have also elected Dr. J. W. Bailey, for many years evangelist among the colored people of Texas, missionary to the colored race of California.

Rev. Ray Herrington has been called as pastor at Dixon, Neshoba county.



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# Baptist Training Union

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MISS NELLA DEAN MITCHELL, Associate  
MRS. L. R. WILLIAMS, Office Secretary

## OUR CONVENTION WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

December 28th proved to be a great day for us in our Training Union work. It was the day of our Annual Convention. Rain, rain, rain had fallen and some of us were discouraged thinking that perhaps only a few would get to attend. It was a great and pleasant surprise when we got to the church and found that already a good group had arrived and by the time the convention opened we had a splendid crowd. It was a representative group, coming from every section of the state. They were there from the Alabama line, the Arkansas line, the Louisiana line, and from the Gulf of Mexico line and then all in between was represented. We were so grateful for this fine spirit of cooperation. We believe the good program we had, repaid all for coming.

The music of the convention was high quality and gave a good background for the other features in the program. The devotionals for each of the three sessions were conducted by Brother E. F. Graeser of Meridian at the piano, Mr. Henry Love of Jackson leading the singing and Mr. Chester Swor bringing the devotional thought. The guest speakers were at their best, the young people who took part in the four contests were thoroughly prepared for their work, the group who took part in the talent parade made a splendid contribution, the conference leaders had a well-planned program for their groups, and all in all it was a great day. We want to thank every individual who had any part in making the convention the helpful meeting it proved to be.

Mr. Frank Moak of First church Jackson proved the winner in our Better Speakers Tournament and will have the privilege of representing Mississippi in the Southwide Speakers Tournament at Ridgecrest this summer. Miss Diane Triplett of Louisville was the winner in the Intermediate Sword Drill and will be privileged to represent Mississippi in the Southwide Sword Drill at Ridgecrest this summer. Both of these features will be held on the second week of the Ridgecrest Assembly which will be July 19-24.

## BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE OFFERS SCHOLARSHIP IN BETTER SPEAKERS TOURNAMENT

We congratulate all young ladies now in the Young People's Unions in the state for unto them has come a challenge to take part in the Better Speakers Tournament this summer at the District Conventions. Blue Mountain College is giving a scholarship of \$100.00 to the young lady who has the highest score in the State Better Speakers Tournament. This year one of our five young men won first place, and one of our fine young ladies, Miss Wages, won second place. Miss Wages had the highest score for the young ladies in the

tournament so the scholarship went to her. We feel sure this is going to inspire many of our young ladies to try for this coveted place. Let every Young People's Union in the state enlist as many of its members, girls and boys, as possible. Have an elimination contest and send your winner to the associational contest. The winner there will come to the District Convention and the winner there comes to our state convention. Thanks to Blue Mountain for this manifested interest in this feature of our convention.



## MISS FRANCES WHITWORTH

We are happy to introduce to our Mississippi Junior directors, leaders, and sponsors, Miss Frances Whitworth, who has just come into the office of the Southwide Junior leader. Miss Whitworth has been connected with the Southwide Training Union Department for five years, serving as associate editor of the Training Union Magazine. Before coming to the Training Union Department five years ago Miss Whitworth was an associate in the Training Union Department in Georgia. We welcome her to this new position in our ranks and pledge to her our fullest cooperation.

For December we report 858 study course awards issued and five new unions. This is a good report for December when we think of what a busy month that is for everyone. Starting this new year, and with our evangelistic emphasis, we will be able to report month by month not less than a thousand awards we hope. We have no doubt that the number issued will average a thousand a month, but we definitely hope that there shall be no month when the number issued shall fall below the thousand mark. Unions that had been having only one or two study courses a year will want no less than one each quarter. And certainly pastors and directors will plan that their union, even though they may have never had a study course before, will have one this year. The best start in this direction is to plan for a course for each union in soul winning letting this course come in this first quarter of the year.

## IN MEMORY OF MRS. AUDREY HELLUMS Highland Baptist Church Tishomingo County, Miss.

A mighty woman who loved God  
His passed from earthly care;  
And on the path that she has trod  
God's light shines wondrous fair.

We would not question Thee, our King,  
Through falling tears we say,  
"Thy will be done," and humbly cling  
To Thee on this sad day.

She was a Sunday school teacher, fine  
and grand

Who humbly served her God;  
With truth and right she took her stand,  
And faithfully the path she trod.

Oh! she was brave to fight the wrong,  
And daring for the right;  
Her love was deep, her faith was strong,  
She labored with her might.

Now she has gone, the years shall tell,  
Her life was not in vain;  
And we shall see that it was well,  
And such lives are our gain.

And in eternity alone  
The good that thou hast done,  
Shall be revealed before God's throne,  
When thou thy crown hast won.

(paid) By pastor, A. G. Graham.

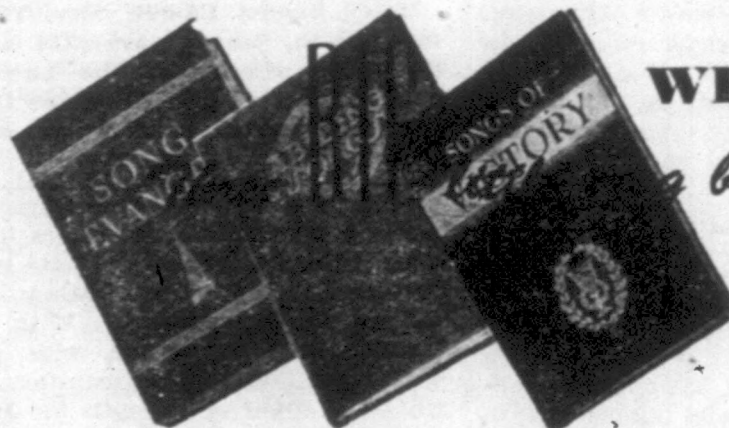
New Zion church, Gulf Coast Association: This is a new church organized a few weeks ago. On December 24 there were 55 present and the offering amounted to \$9.53. We expect to begin our building as soon as weather permits. Our church has voted to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan and will send in the 1st soon.—J. M. Edwards.

Dr. Wallace Bassett, pastor, Cliff Temple church, Dallas, Texas, has been elected president of the execu-

tive board of the Texas Baptist Convention.

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MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

### The Long Look

How true it is that in so many of the experiences of life we need to take the long look. We need to see beyond the immediate to the more remote; from the present to the ultimate. This is very much in evidence on every hand. We have been impressed with this fact during these war years as our great country, and others, have gone about this business of preparing for war. No one knows how long the war will last, therefore, it is the part of wisdom to take the long look and not make the fatal error of being found short on any of the essentials for warfare.

This is also true of us in our church life where the emphasis is primarily spiritual. If we avoid the mistake many make, we will do it by the way of the long look. We so vividly recall an experience of some years ago when we were in conversation with one of our fine pastors in the state. We were talking about the work of the year, which was then nearly gone, and several items of the year's program were mentioned. Then, as we asked him about another particular item, he stated, almost abjectedly, that they had not done that. Then he said: "We really hoped to, and did not mean to let it get by us, but somehow we neglected to put it into our plans as we should have, and the first thing we knew the time was gone."

We say all of this now because this is January, the first month of 1945. Of course, the Sunday school year begins October first, but always January will mean something very special to us because it is the first of a brand new year in our calendar of activities. Then, too, this is the first month of our great Centennial Year, 1945.

Are you, brother pastor and superintendent, taking the long look now and making out your program for the year for the special things that should by all means be in any church program every year? If not, you will possibly come to the end of the year with some things left out that could well have been included had you taken the long look when there was time for that and now is that time. Do not err here because of failure to take the long look. There is time now for it but it won't last long.

### VBS Information

We are glad to give some of the facts and figures on the 1944 Vacation Bible schools. These are always interesting because of the variety of items given and the fact that all size churches participate in these schools that are becoming such an important part of the summer program.

Number of schools held, 446 (the most ever); number enrolled, 32,671; average enrollment, 72; average attendance, 64; 121 schools reported 635 conversions, an average of 5.2; mission offering, \$3,563.06; average for the 256 schools reporting mission offering, \$13.92; average cost of the 223 schools reporting, \$23.89; average number days, 6; average number of hours daily, 3.

Twenty-nine schools enrolled less than 25; 141 schools enrolled 25-49; 137 schools enrolled 50-79; 48 enrolled 80-99; 53 enrolled 100-149; 10 enrolled 149-174; 6 enrolled 175-199; 12 enrolled 200-249; 4 enrolled 250-300, and one enrolled 425.

The smallest enrollment was eight (two schools had this enrollment), and the largest was 425 at the Jackson First church.

Only four associations did not report a school. Deer Creek Association had the greatest number of schools with 26 church and 6 mission for a total of 32. Lauderdale Association was second with 30 church and one mission for a total of 31. George and Deer Creek Associations were both 100% in having a school in every church, while Lauderdale lacked only two.

There were 15 Negro schools reported, and most of these were sponsored by white churches as mission work. This is one of the many great opportunities we have each year of helping to carry the teaching of the Bible to needy people and places, namely, the sponsoring of Vacation Bible schools among our colored people. We hope that in 1945 many, many white churches will put into their program of missions the part of promoting a Vacation school in at least one Negro church, as well as in mission places for their own people. This is time and money well spent.

### December Standards

We are glad to give below the classes, departments and schools that gained standard rating during the month of December, and which have sent applications to our office for standard recognition. They are as follows:

**Classes:** Nine year boys, Canton First, Junior, Mrs. W. R. Shepherd, teacher; Intermediate, New Albany, Ambassadors, H. N. Graham, teacher; Aviators, A. L. Beavers; True Blue girls, Mrs. H. N. Graham; Sons of Truth, T. A. Beard; Goal Reachers, Lawrence Loden; Kingdom Seekers, Mrs. Lacey Hale; Daughters of Ruth, Mrs. James Stroud; Queen Esther, Mrs. Edgar Caldwell; T. E. L. Adult, Ackerman, E. B. Dobbs, teacher; Laura Mosby, Adult, Canton First, Mrs. C. H. Galloway; Errie Nutt, Adult, Canton First, Mrs. J. N. Stewart.

**Departments:** Beginner, Grenada First, Mrs. A. N. Rayburn, superintendent; Beginner, Canton First, Mrs. Clyde Edwards, superintendent; Junior, Canton First, Mrs. C. M. Cooke, superintendent; Intermediate, New Albany, Mrs. Varda Smith, superintendent.

**Schools:** Meridian Eighth Avenue, Rev. E. F. Graesser, pastor, Joe Brown, superintendent; Wiggins, Rev. N. J. Lee, pastor, W. C. Carpenter, superintendent; Magee, Rev. G. O. Parker, pastor, J. H. Mangum, superintendent; Lambert, Rev. R. W. Parter, pastor, H. D. Graham, superintendent; Canton First, Rev. C. Z. Holland, pastor, G. W. Smith-Vaniz, superintendent; Tuscola, Rev. A. A. Ward, pastor, R. B. McDonald, superintendent.

Since January is the first month following the close of the first quarter of the new Sunday school year, this is the time to get in your applications for standard recognition for the quarter of October, November and December. To get them in as early as possible will encourage your workers because they will have the benefit of enjoying standard rating for the major part of the year. Applications for classes, departments and schools will be gladly sent on request.



DR. E. D. HEAD

Dr. E. D. Head, president, Southwestern Seminary, Seminary Hill, Texas, is to be one of the featured speakers during the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, March 5-8. Dr. Head will bring two messages on Wednesday.

### MRS. GEORGE W. BOTTOMS DIES AT TEXARKANA OF EXTENDED ILLNESS

Mrs. George W. Bottoms, well known Baptist philanthropist of Arkansas and a charter members of Beech Street Baptist Church, Texarkana, Arkansas, died on December 21 at her home. She was eighty-four years old.

In 1918 Mrs. Bottoms and the late Mr. Bottoms, who preceded her in death by twenty years, made their first large gift to Baptist work. This was a sum of \$200,000 to missions, the amount being divided equally between the Home Mission Board and the Foreign Mission Board.

Including this generous gift the Bottoms gave to the work of the denomination about three-fourths of a million dollars. In addition to the above, the Bottoms Trust Fund established by Mrs. Bottoms has yielded \$480,000 for the Home Mission Board during the past twelve years.

She built two churches in foreign lands, the First Baptist Church, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, costing \$112,500 and reported to be the most commodious and beautiful Baptist church in South America, and a building in Nazareth, Palestine, costing \$10,800.

At the present writing her will has not been published but those who have read it say that the bulk of her estate is left to the institutions and causes which she supported during her life.

Other gifts during her life time include: \$20,000 for mission work in China; \$75,000 to the Euckner Orphanage; \$75,000 to Southwestern Seminary; \$34,000 to Bottoms Orphanage; \$30,000 to Ouachita College; \$5,000 to Baylor-Belton College; \$24,200 to the Baptist Orphanage in Cuba; \$50,000 to build a Baptist school in Cuba; \$55,000 to Beech Street church, and the grounds on which the church is located.

### WILLIAM ERVIN HARKINS

One of the oldest deacons of Hebron Baptist Church died November 14, 1944, at his home near Pheba. He was born at Clarksville, Georgia, May 22, 1867. He moved to Clay county, Miss., when the Southern Railway was laid about 60 years ago.

Five sons and daughters survive: Mrs. Ben Cole, Mrs. Charles Gilliland, Sr., Mrs. Floyd Sizemore, William Harkins and E. D. Harkins, who is serving in the Pacific.

Mr. Harkins believed in putting the Lord first and was a liberal giver to the Lord's cause.

### New Hope Starts Right

Recently New Hope church in Harrison county was organized. Rev. P. S. Dodge is acting pastor. This new church was recently received into Gulf Coast Association and they plan to support all causes of organized Baptist work. They also plan to be well informed as indicated in the letter below from Mrs. J. B. Saucier:

"We are a new church just started with 18 charter members. Our church name is New Hope. Our church has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record and we are enclosing ten names."

Gulf Coast Association now has Record readers as follows: LONGTOWN 16, Corinth 1, Pearlinton 1, BAY ST. LOUIS 22, BILOXI FIRST 145, BILOXXI SECOND 23, BOWEN MEMORIAL 31, Crane 1, GRACE MEMORIAL 18, Gulfport 93, HANDSBORO 27, Long Beach 1, Mississippi City 2, PASS CHRISTIAN 48, WOOLMARKET 12, Sharon 2.

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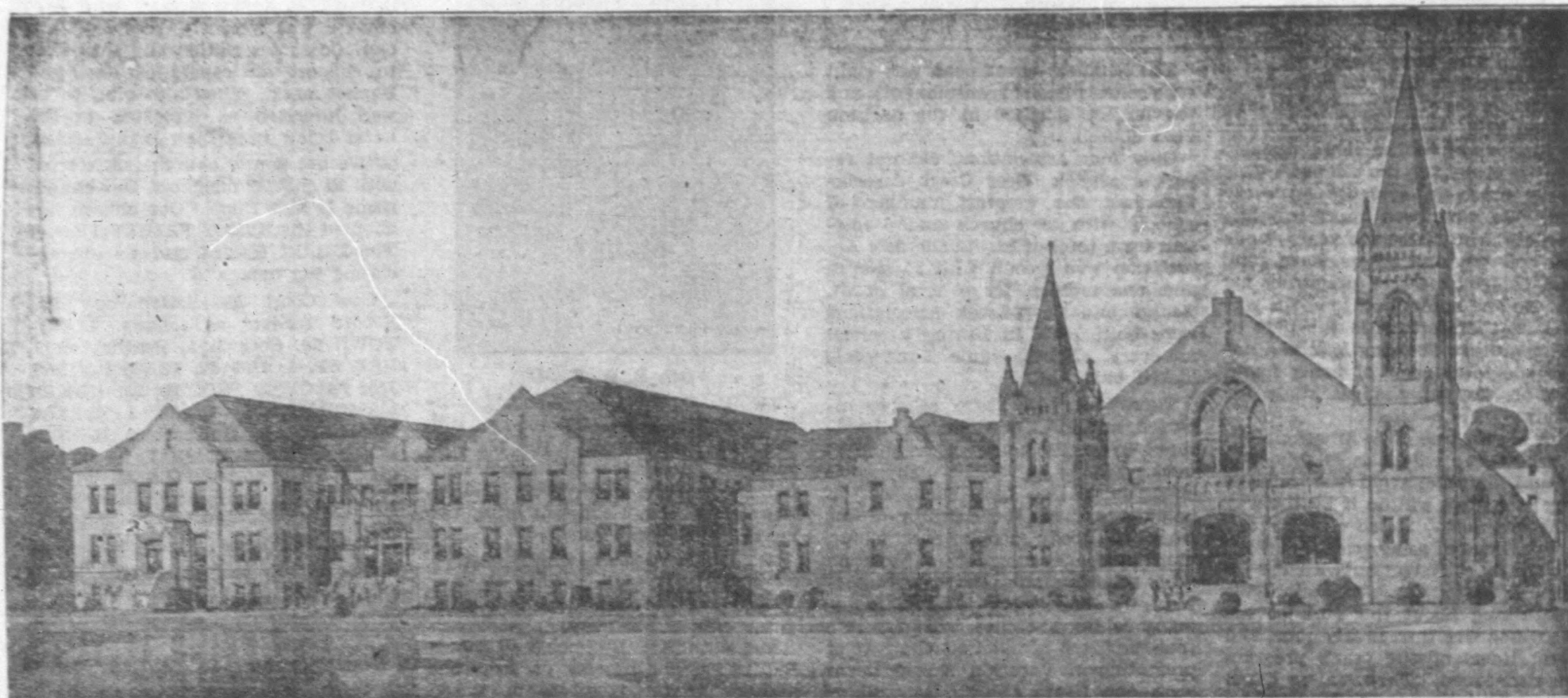
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## FIRST CHURCH COLUMBUS IS DEBT FREE



### Plant Valued at More Than Quarter Million

On Sunday, December 10, the First Baptist Church of Columbus, Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor, was dedicated debt free.

For many years a heavy building debt, imposed upon the church mainly because of the depression, had hampered this church. Last fall a spontaneous movement among the members led by the deacons for a debt-free church arose. The money was raised and now the beautiful and commodious church plant is free of all financial indebtedness.

A staff of seven salaried workers enables the church to promote an intensive church program. The salaried workers are:

J. D. Franks, pastor.

To be supplied, educational director. Mrs. E. L. Phillips, director of social, recreational, camp service.

Miss Jane Wood, minister of music.

Miss Margaret McClellan, student secretary, M. S. C. W.

Miss Edna Brownlee, office secretary.

Mrs. W. C. Hudson, organist.

Department leaders are:

W. N. Puckett, superintendent of Sunday school.

Sam P. Wilder, Training Union director.

Mrs. Allen B. Puckett, president of W. M. U.

Jim Wilder, president of Brotherhood.

F. F. Parsons, chairman Board of Deacons.

Miss Romaine Berryman, chairman, Baptist Workshop committee.

Luther Wallin, chairman, camp service committee.

The plant of the First Baptist Church of Columbus is regarded as one of the most adequate for the purpose in the whole country. It is valued at more than a quarter of a million dollars.

According to the Commercial Dispatch of Columbus: "The First Baptist Church has stood on the same corner in our city for one hundred and twelve years—contending earn-

### Deacons, First Baptist Church, Columbus



First row (left to right): C. E. Farmer, W. W. Egger, W. N. Puckett, F. F. Parsons, chairman; H. H. McClanahan, J. B. Jacob, D. D. Griffin, J. H. Malone.

Second row (left to right): G. O. Wallace, Arch Hardin, R. C. Smith, Luther Wallin, Herman Green, Sam J. Wilder, Allen B. Puckett, C. L. Mc-

Caleb, E. L. Phillips.

Third row (left to right): H. W. Vaughn, C. A. Arnett, E. H. Jackson, T. A. Johnson, Troy Funk, Farmer Kelly, Malcolm Heard, A. C. Puckett, C. H. Richardson, A. T. Howard.

Other deacons not in the picture: T. A. Smith, J. B. Williams, C. N. Brandon, W. L. McElroy, Jud J. Smith.

estly for the Christian faith—"Faith of Our Fathers"—her benevolent arms outstretched in love and service to all the people of this community—regardless of race, station, creed or community and national crisis—her witness to the gospel message has also gone unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

At the dedicatory exercises fourteen lovely oak offering plates were presented to the church as a memorial to Robert W. Fancher, by Mrs. Robert W. Fancher, Robert, Jr., and Oliver Wayne, wife and sons of the deceased. Brother Fancher was a devout member of the church during his life time and a consistent tither.

Dr. A. L. O'Briant, former pastor at Walnut church in Quitman county and penitentiary chaplain, has moved to Jackson and is available for church work. His address is 1611 Edgewood.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 5—Rev. William (Bill) Kit Bean, of Springfield, Mo., who is a third-year student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, recently accepted the call as pastor of the Nebo Baptist Church, Nebo, Ky. He is a graduate of Springfield high school, and received his A. B. degree in 1942 from Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss. In August of 1942, the First Baptist Church of Moss Point, Miss., ordained him and he served there as associate pastor. He has also served as associate pastor of Waynesboro Baptist Church, Waynesboro, Va.

A \$50,000 donation just received for the general endowment fund of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary increases this fund to \$1,750,000 and brings it a step nearer the \$5,000,000 endowment President Ellis A. Fuller estimates the seminary now needs.

In October, Oakdale church, Rankin county, went from quarter-time to half-time. The church continues to grow in all the work. The Sunday school, under the leadership of the faithful superintendent, Mr. Joe Sanderson, has increased in attendance, as well as the Training Union, with Mrs. Ruth Steverson, director. Contributions have been very commendable. Since October some of the special offerings have been: State Missions, \$82.00; orphanage, \$126.45; Lottie Moon Week of Prayer, \$42.50. The church is now having a part in the hospital campaign. All members are looking toward a new church building, to which they have already contributed \$2,500. This includes a number of bonds that have been dedicated in honor of service men who are members.—C. O. Lindsey, pastor.

W. Graham Stuart, of Greenwood, gave \$100.00 on the Mississippi College Enlargement Program.

Deer Creek Association has purchased a home in Hollandale for the Deer Creek missionary, Rev. Martin J. Gilbert.

All treasurers are urged to send all Baptist Hospital campaign monies to the Convention Board office regularly that the direct program of the campaign may be noted. Otherwise, it will be difficult to plan future steps in the campaign. Leaders believe that this campaign for \$200,000 will be brought to a victorious end this month. This should be done by all means, as February has been designated as Blue Mountain month.

Rev. W. J. Derrick of Jonesboro, Arkansas, now retired from the active pastorate, writes that he served as pastor in Mississippi for 25 years. He states that in looking over the list of churches in the victory edition of December 7 he noticed 102 with which he was connected as pastor, evangelist or speaker. Rev. Derrick is now 80 years of age and still does a supply work.

E. C. Hunt, treasurer of Enon church, Winston county, sent in a nice club of subscriptions.



## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for January 14  
JESUS BEGINS HIS MINISTRY  
Lesson Text: Matthew 3:13-4:11

Introduction. Neither Matthew nor Mark says anything of the boyhood of Jesus, and Luke draws aside the veil on only one picture in the process of growth of Jesus after His parents took Him to Nazareth and before the coming of John. But I think we should not suppose that the hidden years at Nazareth were not wholesome years of waxing strength and healthful, vigorous living. The long romps over the hills in carefree, innocent, boyish play; the performance of such chores about the humble home as would fall to the lot of the eldest son in growing family of humble village folks; the assuming of an increasingly heavy portion of the burdens incident to the support of a family of the poor—all these we may, I think, safely presume were parts of the life of Jesus' boyhood and young manhood. But let us be very sure that the hidden years were not wasted years, that the activities of those years were not without their importance, that the discipline of those years was not without its eternal significance to Him and to us. For in those years during which active play and strenuous labor taxed and trained the growing brain and body and the long nights of deep untroubled sleep blessed the growing youth with peaceful rest, He was gaining power and experience which would stand Him in good stead when taxing tasks of His ministry levied their drains upon His strength. In this lesson we take a glance at the gates of entry through which He passed into the field of His life's labors.

### I. The Forerunner. Matthew 3:1-12.

Again and after centuries of silence the words of God are burning on the lips of a prophet. He "was in the deserts till the day of his showing unto Israel," and now the day of his showing dawned and he came out of the wilderness wastes to prepare a people for the coming of the Lord. But the preparation which he came to make was not such as the official classes of his people desired. Theirs was a life increasingly saturated with the twin evils of Greek vice and official Jewish formalism and pride. They desired a king, yes, but a king who would confirm them in their chosen way of living and provide them with increased means of indulging it. Instead of a herald proclaiming the coming of this character of a king they met in the fiery prophet of the wilderness a messenger who demanded righteousness in life, cleanliness in the inward parts, a forsaking of the very ways of life to which their lustful hearts were devoted. Hence, the official classes would none of John. Hence, his vitrolic country characterization, "Ye nest of snakes!"

But there were penitent ears that did hear him and humble hearts that heeded, and contrite spirits that inquired, "What shall we do as an evidence of our sincerity?" and to each class the stern prophet gave the appropriate answer. To the directions contained in which each penitent upon professing submission was bap-

tized as a symbol of the reality of his repentance.

"Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to the Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him" (Matt. 3:13). John was not acquainted previous to their meeting on the bank of the Jordan. They were cousins indeed but they had grown up more than sixty miles apart and as methods of travel in those days were primitive and the highways in this outlying Roman province were poor it is not at all unusual that men of the same family connection should live and die without ever having become personally acquainted. I myself lived across country less fifty miles from an uncle of mine whom I did not see for more than thirty years.

But John held conversation with Jesus and found Him to be a young man of such sincerity, humility, trustful faith, and clear conscience that he was filled with amazement and said, "Why, I ought to get baptized by you and do you come to get baptized by me?" Jesus answering said unto him, "Suffer it now: For thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness." Stop a moment now and take a look at this John. He had stood up straight and looked without the quiver of an eyelash into the faces of the proud Pharisees and cynical Sadducees and had called them what they were without shrinking. We look at this lion of a man and say of him "there stands a chap who will bow his proud chest to no man that walks the earth." Now see him stand in the presence of an Israelite indeed in whom there is no guile and say I own a heart-need of whom thou hast the supply. O heaven directed example of a faithful servant of God! Oh for more of that grand combination of courage and reverence.

And our Lord recognizing that now his hour for action had struck would identify himself in all points with the members of the race whose sons he came to succor and save. The High Priest will partake of the estate of his people, will be identified with them. He will do what it is right for those who would come to God by faith in the Saviour to do. He will paint by his action here a picture for all time of the reality of the immigration through the door of repentance out of the realm of sin and into the realm of saintliness.

### II. The Heavenly Witness. Matthew 3:16, 17.

When the act of baptism had been performed and the Lord and John were standing erect again waist deep in the singing waters of the Jordan the spirit of God in the form of a dove made a vari-tinted streak downward through the air unto Jesus upon whom it alighted while the voice out of heaven spoke in words of identification and commendation. "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." How this occurrence must have affected the fiery prophet! How it must have affected our Lord Himself. It is not likely that His Father had ever spoken to our Lord in audible voice or that He had ever so spoken concerning Him before.

You may not hear an audible voice. You fellow laborer in the work of the Lord may not; but you may be very sure that when you have wrought the will of the Lord under any set circumstances that the words of approval, "I am well pleased," will be forthcoming.

### III. The Three-fold Test. Matthew 3:1-11.

This followed hard upon the en-

dorsement from heaven. Our Lord was about to enter upon His labors and the prince of darkness will attempt to frustrate those labors lest they produce consequences to his undoing.

There are endless questions concerning the temptability of a divine being and interminable metaphysical discussion as to whether it would have been possible for our Lord to have yielded. Let us agree that the temptation of our Lord was a real temptation. That whether we understand it or not we know that Satan precipitated Him into a real struggle. He had partaken of our nature and our nature is temptable. Of course there are many cases in which every one of us is tempted and yet without sin. There are desires in our nature, thoroughly innocent and a necessary part of our humanity which nevertheless give occasion to temptation. As a matter of fact, I can think of no sin which is not a perversion of some virtue. At least there is in every good thing or situation opportunities for the devil to ensnare us. When he came to our Lord he came to one who had invested Himself with the nature of sinful man and in thus doing had subjected Himself to the possibility, yes, the necessity of temptation.

Say that only in His human nature He was tempted, then go on to say that only in His human nature He resisted, and only in His human nature He triumphed. At least that is what I want to say; for if He was tempted as human and secured His triumph as God that, and you dump me into this perplexity, "How can I resist successfully any temptation which besets me as a man if I must be God in order to triumph over it?" No, it was as my brother that my High Priest and Saviour was tempted, and it was my brother who triumphed by the help of the spirit of God, exactly as I must triumph when likewise beset. By the help of God you can triumph over any temptation with which Satan may endeavor to ensnare you. "There hath no temptation taken you but such as man can bear: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation make also the way of escape that ye may be able to bear it" (1 Cor. 10:13).

The temptation, let us bear in mind, was real. This was no sham fight, no mere exhibition. It was just as real as any we have ever had when most fiercely assailed by the tempter. Our Lord was tempted "like as we are," and leads at once to the query as to whether the devil assumed to the eyes of the Lord a material shape, and as to whether Jesus had the advantage of seeing the tempter in his proper person. I wish I could see him when he comes to trip me up. I think he would have more difficulty with me. But I never smelled his brimstone breath, did you? I never saw his bearded fork, his be-hoofed feet, his black-bat wings, his prehensile tail, did you? If he should so appear to me, my fear that I should yield to his solicitations is less than my fear that I should break some bones in crashing a way of escape through a panel door, or get myself cut with glass in "busting" through a window, or run myself to death as I high-tailed it for the tall timber. That's all right! You're another one!

1. "If thou art . . . make bread out of these stones." If you are God's servant, you must adopt any and every means to secure your own comfort. If

you can cram our maw with sweet meats, you shall thereby guarantee your freedom from everything that annoys or vexes. But God may not want you free from all annoyance. At least, He has nowhere promised His own such freedom. He has promised them power in which to be heroic, strength in which to conquer all the ills that beset, but the conquest is to come through struggle, oftentimes through pain. Will you live by all the laws that God has ordained?

2. "Cast thyself down . . . He shall give His angels charge." But that is presumption. I must not make trial of the goodness of God. I must not deliberately fling myself into danger, because forsooth God has promised to go with me and protect.

3. "To thee will I give all authority . . . if thou wilt do homage unto me." I must do homage unto God only.

If a man accept anything from any authority, he puts himself under obligation to that authority. This is the law of the ages whose demands will not be still, while the circling cycles drop by drop the cup of time shall fill, that he who eats another's bread, shall do that other's will.

As an angel of light, most likely, came he to the Lord, and as an angel of light the prince of darkness will come to you. But if you will quietly and earnestly call upon the Lord for aid, you shall have it, and, having it and exercising your will in it, you shall have the victory, and the ministry of angels to your need after the conflict is ended.

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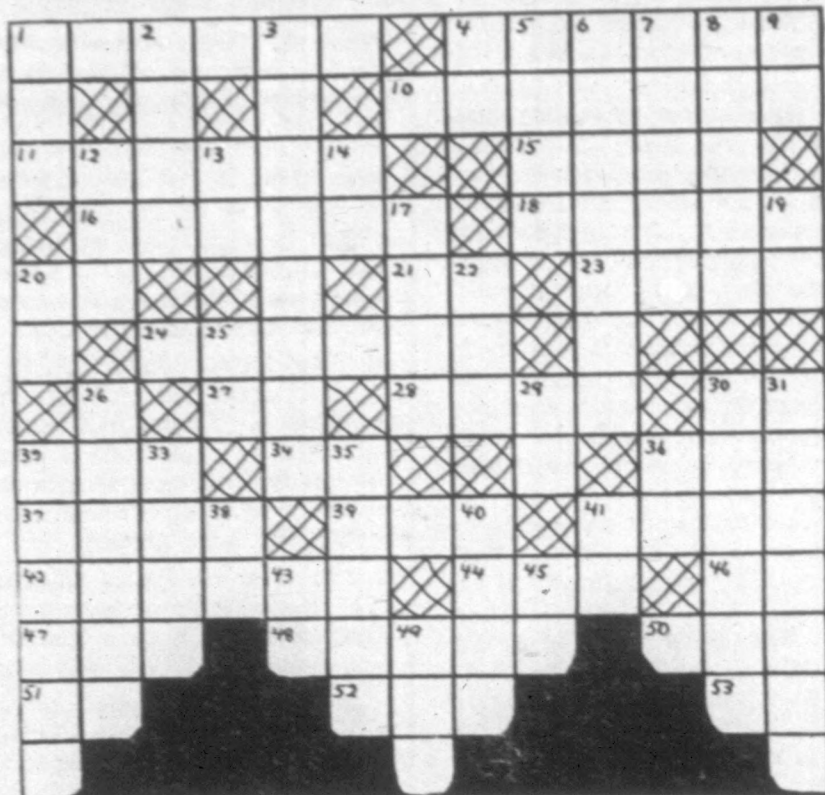
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## STORIED MOUNTAINS

- 1 Noah's ark rested "upon the mountains of . . ." Gen. 8:4.
- 4 Jacob fled from Laban "toward the mount . . ." Gen. 31:21.
- 10 Purposes.
- 11 Solomon built the temple "at Jerusalem in mount . . ." 2 Chron. 3:1.
- 15 "And these shall stand upon mount . . . to curse," Deut. 27:13.
- 16 This mountain was the scene of the contest between Elijah and the priests of Baal, 1 Kings 18.
- 18 Used in the morning.
- 20 Mother.
- 21 Epistle.
- 23 Mountain peak from which Moses saw the promised land, Deut. 32:49.
- 24 23 across was its summit, Deut. 34:1.
- 27 Palmetto state.
- 28 One of the names of Mount Hermon, Deut. 4:48.
- 30 King of Bashan, Josh. 13:12.
- 32 The mountain on which Aaron died, Num. 20:27, 28.
- 34 Ridge of drift.
- 36 Adjective suffix.
- 37 Son of Shem, Gen. 10:22.
- 39 Rouge.
- 41 "and I gave unto Esau mount . . . to possess it," Josh. 24:4.
- 42 "all the . . . round about Jordan."
- 44 The self.
- 46 In this chapter of Genesis, Noah is told how to build the ark.
- 47 Madame.
- 48 Barak went down from this mount to fight Sisera, Judges 4:14.
- 50 Turkish cap.
- 51 Preposition.
- 52 Noun suffix.
- 53 Note.
- 8 At one's pleasure.
- 9 Repeat sign in music.
- 12 Wood sorrel.
- 13 A Benjamite, 1 Chron. 7:12.
- 14 Pronoun.
- 17 Meadows.
- 19 Negative.
- 20 New England state.
- 22 Greek letter.
- 25 Part of "be."
- 26 "upon the harp with a . . . sound."
- 29 Conjunction.
- 30 Name given in Acts 1:12 to the mountain that was the scene of the agony and betrayal of Christ.
- 31 "These shall stand upon mount . . . to bless the people," Deut. 27:12.
- 32 This mountain was a great landmark of the Israelites, Deut. 3:8.
- 33 "Why do the heathen . . ."
- 35 Mountain from which the law was given, Ex. 19.
- 36 Live.
- 38 Note.
- 40 Mountain where Balaam was taken to see and curse Israel, 2 Kings 17:4.
- 43 Part of the Bible.
- 45 Greek.
- 49 A mountain (Scot.).

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## PASTOR WOOD MAKES GOOD

Leads Silver Springs to EF Plan

At the Pike County Association Pastor Jewel Wood asked for information about the EVERY FAMILY Plan and expressed the determination to have it in his church. He made good. A list of 55 came from Silver Springs. Most church would adopt the EVERY EAMILY Plan if the pastor would push it.

Record readers in Pike county are now listed as follows: Bluff Springs 8, Bala Chitto 1, BOGUE CHITTO 31, Central 44, EAST McCOMB 261, FERNWOOD 51, Friendship 24, Holmesville 3, McComb First 69, MAGNOLIA 86, Mt. Zion 3, OSYKA 88; Progress 3, Silver Creek 33; SOUTH SIDE McCOMB 96, SUMMIT 88, TANGIPAHOA 84, THOMPSON 18, SILVER SPRINGS 55, TERRY'S CREEK 71, UNION 40, JOHNSTON 29, Navilla 1.

## Coila Sends 11

Even if the convicts took his car the enthusiasm of Brother L. D. Sellers for The Baptist Record continues at fever heat. Recently Coila Carroll county, sent us a list of 11. Mrs. B. F. Eubanks is treasurer.

Record readers in Carroll county are listed as follows: Black Hawk 1, COILA 18, McCarley 3, MT. PISGAH 32, NEW SALEM 21, NORTH CARROLLTON 37, Providence 8, VAIDEN 47, Harmony 10, CARROLLTON 24, CALVARY 12, OLDTOWN 16, Centerville 9, Mt. Olive 1.

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## Mississippi Baptist Hospital \$200,000 Building Fund Campaign

D. A. McCALL, General Campaign Director

## ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK





**MORTON BAPTIST MAKES  
GENEROUS GIFTS**

Last week B. C. Rogers of Morton, Miss., gave two large gifts, one to the Baptist church, of which he is a member, and the other to the Baptist Hospital in Jackson.

Five thousand dollars was given to the Baptist Hospital building fund by this individual member, the church giving an additional \$257. Up to last week this amount, and a similar amount given by L. O. Crosby of Columbia were the two largest individual contributions made.

One thousand dollars was given to the Morton Baptist Church to be used as a library fund, the library to be a memorial to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Rogers of Morton.

As soon as building permit, it is the plan of the Morton Baptist Church to erect a community recreation building will be a fine Rogers Memorial Library.—Ray M. Dykes, pastor.

**—BR—  
FOUNDATION SECRETARY TAKES  
OVER DUTIES  
Studies Texas Plan**

Rev. A. B. Pierce has moved from New Albany where he has served as pastor the past two years, and is residing at 2106 W. Capitol street, Jackson. He began his work as executive secretary of the Foundation the first of January.

The church at New Albany showed its confidence in the new secretary and the work of the Foundation by contributing a total of \$7,225 to the endowments of our various institutions, and the Foundation will handle the money for them. There is every indication that other gifts will come from this church later.

For the purpose of fully informing himself in all the work of the Foundation, the new secretary is in Texas this week studying their entire set-up. He expects to return to Jackson this week-end, and he will be available on Sundays or during the week to present the work to individuals or churches interested in knowing more about the work of the Foundation. Please write him at Box 530, Jackson, 105, Miss.

**—BR—  
CENTENNIAL CRUSADE EMPHASIS  
First Quarter**

**January—Program Month  
Centennial Crusade—**

- (1) Cooperative Program.
- (2) Unified Prayer Week, January 1-7.
- (3) Denominational Day, January 14.
- (4) Student Life Enlistment Day, January 21.
- (5) Church School of Missions.

**—Southwide Evangelistic Crusade.  
February—Stewardship Month  
Centennial Crusade—**

- (1) Stewardship Sunday, February 11.
- (2) Student Evangelistic Week, February 11-17.
- (3) Church School of Missions and Stewardship.

**—Southwide Evangelistic Crusade.  
—BR—**

Professors A. E. Wood, W. E. Strange and D. M. Nelson, of the Mississippi College faculty, have recently made contributions to the Patterson Memorial Fund.

An outstanding businessman—not a Baptist—from Columbia, sends a large check on the \$200,000 hospital building fund. Mississippi has some great citizens!



E. D. Kenna Kenna, Jackson, La., Mississippi College graduate, and director of the State Highway Commission, is proving to be an aggressive chairman in the Jackson division of the \$200,000 Baptist Hospital Campaign. Mr. Kenna is receiving splendid cooperation from people of all faiths in the Capital City. The Chamber of Commerce, Jackson Ministerial Association and other groups are rallying in a splendid way to meet the need of additional hospital space.

**—BR—  
SOUTHWIDE CONVENTION  
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UNITARIANS PONDER DEFINITION  
OF FAITH  
Doctor Eliot Lists Tenets on  
Anniversary**

Speaking at the First Unitarian Church's celebration of the 50th anniversary of its founding, Dr. Frederick May Eliot of Boston, president of the American Unitarian Association, said that the most recent development among Unitarians on the home front is the effort to define Unitarianism.

"Unitarian churches are founded upon individual freedom of belief, discipleship to advancing truth, the democratic process in human relations, universal brotherhood undivided by nation, race or creed, and allegiance to the cause of a united world community," he declared.

This definition, Dr. Eliot said, has just been released by the trustees of the American Unitarian Association and is the result of a nationwide survey of Unitarians.—The Commercial Appeal.

(Editor's note: Jude 3, . . . earnestly contend for the faith which was ONCE delivered unto the saints.)

**—BR—  
The Lottie Moon offering at Pontotoc totalled \$366.**

Terry: We observed watch night with a service from 9 to 12:05 on December 31. Walter H. Ott of Mississippi College and Hubert Hammett of Copiah county preached. Their messages were well received and helpful. The ladies took care of the fellowship hour and we closed the old year on our knees.—Thurman Booth, pastor.

We thank Mrs. F. C. Cockrell of Bethel church, Winston county, who sent us a club of five subscriptions.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE BRINGS  
DIVIDENDS**

"I have been blessed with many jobs of work as a proof of His Word," says C. G. Davis of Summerland. It pays both spiritually and materially to serve God according to the testimony of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Davis.

Last spring Rev. B. S. Hilbun, South Mississippi rural evangelist, preached at Summerland. His subject was "God's Kingdom Work, and His Plan for Financing It."

Mr. and Mrs. Davis heard that sermon and heeded it. But let them tell the story. In a letter to Pastor Hilbun they wrote:

Dear Bro. Hilbun:

You will please pardon my delay in writing you—and won't you please accept our thanks and gratitude for the wonderful message you brought to us in March on "God's Kingdom Work, and His Plan of Financing Same." On our way back home that day my wife and I made a new covenant with God and resolved from that day we would strive to do His will in regard to withholding what rightly belonged to Him. And I cannot count the wonderful blessings of God since then.

I have been blessed with numerous jobs of work as one proof of His word, where He says, "I will withhold no good thing from those who love me." Our church voted to pay \$100.00 on the debt we owe, and I feel sure we can do it. Bro. Hilbun, it has been quite a bit of financial struggle with us. As you know, we have been rearing a large family, with three of the boys already somewhere in this awful war. We do thank God for answering our prayers, though one of the boys having already been in 14 battles and his ship was sunk when he received bad burns and was afloat for twelve hours before being rescued. But thanks to God for bringing him through.

You may use this as a living testimony of what God will do if we always meet His requirements.

Bro. Hilbun, we have been able to put more into the storehouse of God for the past three months than we had done in one year. We are not only giving the tenth but know we must give beyond that. I feel that after this conflict is over, God's people will have the greatest opportunity ever to carry His message of love to a dying sinful world. May God richly bless you and your work, and want you to know we are remembering you in our prayers. May God hasten the day when peace shall reign again, and we can all join in singing that old precious hymn, "Praise Him, Crown Him Lord of All."

We are hoping you can come and bring us another inspiring message soon.

Your friends in Christ,

MR. and MRS. C. G. DAVIS,  
Summerland, Miss.

**—BR—  
A FINE METHOD OF ENLISTMENT  
Virginia Shows the Way**

Recently the Board of Missions and Education in Virginia appointed a committee of three, Dr. J. Burton Ray, Rev. J. P. Gulley, and Rev. H. W. Connelly, to enlist all pastors and churches in that state who have not already joined the Ministers Retirement Plan.

There are thirty associations in the state, and each member of this committee assumed responsibility for ten associations.

Each one of the three has secured a layman in each association to work with the unenlisted churches and pastors. A strong letter has been written to each non-participating pastor. This letter will soon be followed by a letter to a key layman in each unenlisted church. Through these efforts, plus addresses in associational gatherings and personal contacts, it is hoped a great number of unenlisted will respond favorably.

**REV. W. K. ANDERSON**

Rev. W. K. Anderson, 85-year-old Baptist minister, died suddenly at his home at Glading, November 29 at about 4:30 p. m. Rev. Anderson had walked across the road from his home, and his wife, recuperating from a recent operation, heard him call to her. She went to him and he told her he was dying. She hastened to the home of a negro tenant, and two daughters of this home hurried to him and carried him into the house. A physician was summoned from Magnolia, but nothing could be done for him and he died within a few minutes.

Rev. Anderson was a pioneer minister of this section, had pastored churches in surrounding counties and in Louisiana, and although he had retired from the ministry, he was an active leader in the local church. Some time during this year, perhaps when he was thinking over his past work as a pastor, he wrote down the names of the churches of which he had been pastor, and the dates. He began his work in 1891 and was pastor at Red Bluff church, Louisiana, from that date until 1895 and again from 1917 to 1927, a period of fourteen years. He served Enon church in Pike county for nine years and Bethlehem church, Amite county for nine years. During his ministry he served as pastor of nineteen churches, being pastor of more than one church at the time. Although he had lived out the allotted span of life and was living on borrowed time, he will be missed in his church and community as few men are.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one daughter of a former marriage, Mrs. Lucy Anderson of McComb, one son, Kenneth, who is at home, two daughters, Miss Glanara Anderson, teacher in Liberty, Mrs. Kenneth McCoy, of Elton, La., also a teacher, and three stepsons, Roy Newman of Liberty, Alton and Ray Newman, of Baton Rouge; one brother, Mr. Myers Anderson of Magnolia, R. 2; a sister, Mrs. Cannon of McComb, several grandchildren and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the Glading Baptist Church, with Rev. C. O. Stegall, pastor, officiating, assisted by Dr. Frank B. Smith, pastor of Magnolia Baptist Church, with interment in the Liberty cemetery.

Many were the floral offerings, attesting to the esteem in which he was held, and many were the friends who gathered for the last sad rites. paid

**—BR—  
MRS. LYTLE B. SHELTON**

Mrs. Lytle B. Shelton departed this life July 12, 1944, in the bloom of young womanhood and in the midst of an active and influential life. Her consecration of self to church, home and society was an inspiration to friends and co-workers; her loyalty to duty was outstanding; her meekness and humility was Christ-like; and her going saddens the hearts of all who knew her.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, that Ripley Baptist Church has lost an active and influential member who was devoted to the church of Christ and His kingdom.

Second, That Ripley Baptist Sunday School has lost a capable and efficient teacher of young people who looked to her for spiritual guidance and Christian leadership.

Third, That the Woman's Missionary Union has lost a president that was loyal and untiring and gave her heart and soul into the work of the union in our church.

Fourth, That the husband has lost a faithful and devoted wife and the children have lost her motherly care and devotion, and we pray God's blessings upon them.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Forrest Carmichael  
Mrs. Fred Morton,  
Mrs. John Peeler,

Committee.

Such a fine method of enlistment as this in all the states would insure at least ten thousand pastor members by the Centennial Convention next May, one of the objectives of the Relief and Annuity Board.



### LUTHERANS HEAR PROTEST AGAINST GOVERNMENT'S DENIAL OF PASSPORTS TO MISSIONARIES

Minneapolis, Minn.—(RNS)—Denial by the U. S. government of passports for Protestant missionaries to Latin America was protested by the Rev. William G. Arbaugh of New York, superintendent of missions to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, at the 14th biennial convention of the United Lutheran church here.

"Latin America is not truly Roman Catholic, only nominally so," he said. "We are not there to make poor Lutherans out of good Catholics, but to gather the unchurched."

Mr. Arbaugh charged that "Protestant missionaries are denied passports because of our government's 'Good Neighbor' policy."

"Thus it practically denies evangelical spiritual heritage to Latin Americans in spite of the loudly proclaimed Four Freedoms," he said.

Concern over the lack of a united front among the Protestant churches "in the face of the actively aggressive propaganda of the Roman Catholic church" was expressed by Dr. Frederick H. Knubel of New York, retiring president of the denomination.

In the last president's report he will give, Dr. Knubel told the delegates that "too long and too mutely have the divided evangelical forces stood by while the Roman church has propagated and popularized itself as 'the' church."

"The average liberal progressive Protestant," he said, "is beginning to get very uneasy, but he is quite unequipped to make the answers, because he hasn't got the answers."

"There are many political indications of just where, quite logically, the Roman church, headed by the Vatican, is headed, and just what they want, and the plain fact of the matter is that the United Nations, in many respects, are fighting for freedoms which this institution historically and fundamentally denies. As in the days of the Reformation, so again I believe the time has come for a great, clear, rallying statement of evangelical principles."

### TEXAS BAPTISTS TO SPEND 12 MILLION ON POST-WAR BUILDING

San Antonio, Texas—(RNS)—Texas Baptist churches will spend more than \$12,000,000 on post-war building in programs that will represent a substantial contribution to peacetime employment, it was reported at the annual sessions of the Baptist General Convention of Texas here.

The convention adopted a budget of \$3,000,000 for the coming year, one-third of which will be devoted to south-wide causes, one-third to state missions, and one-third to endowment.

Dr. J. W. Bruner of Dallas revealed that the 1944 endowment and enlargement campaign to provide \$3,000,000 for denominational institutions was nearing success, and that cooperative program receipts for the year totaled \$1,852,055, or \$452,055 above the amount sought.

A survey of financial conditions of

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE January 7, 1945

Calvary, Jackson	985	387
Griffith Memorial, Jackson	622	309
Parkway, Jackson	445	155
First, New Albany	367	144
First, Summit		122
Watts Memorial, Pascagoula	391	128
Houlka, Chickasaw Co.	51	37
Foxworth	101	49
Ellison Ridge, Winston Co.	46	
Moselle, Jones Co.	48	55
Ellistown, Union Co.	68	48
Rocky Creek, George Co.	86	23
West Laurel	385	119
Louisville	296	56
Crystal Springs	489	125
First, Gulfport	501	142
First, Brookhaven	533	152
West Side, Natchez	100	44
Wallerville	46	21
Ackerman	126	
Hardy	69	12
Bethlehem, Jones Co.	62	51
Hardy (Dec. 31)	53	
Steen's Creek (Dec. 31)		46
Ellison Ridge (Dec. 24)	94	135
Ellison Ridge (Dec. 31)	91	

### HOME BOARD URGES INCREASED STRESS ON PROMOTING INTER-RACIAL RELATIONS

ATLANTA, Ga.—(RNS)—Increased stress on promoting Christian relations between whites and Negroes in the south, and development of a highly trained Negro ministry to afford colored Baptists an adequate spiritual leadership were recommended as postwar objectives to the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at its annual meeting here.

The report was presented by Dr. Augie Henry of McAlester, Okla., as chairman of the Convention's committee on postwar mission work. He stressed the necessity to focus "activity and interest" on these objectives in the period immediately following the war.

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work, declared that the 1,100 Southern Baptist chaplains had reported 99,000 conversions among soldiers, sailors, and airmen during the past year. In addition to his "myriad ministrations" to the armed forces, Dr. Carpenter said, the chaplain is also "our evangelist-at-large, winning those our churches neglected or failed to win."

He said that six Southern Baptist chaplains were listed as war casualties, and that seven were prisoners of war.

the churches, Dr. Bruner said, indicated that 83 per cent of the churches are out of debt, 66 per cent are planning new buildings, more than \$2,000,000 has been paid on debts, and building funds amounting to \$3,000,000 have been accumulated for future use.

George J. Mason, executive secretary of the Baptist Foundation of Texas, reported that in 1931 Texas Baptists were under a \$6,000,000 debt and had only \$2,000,000 in endowment for all their Texas institutions. "Today," he added, "we owe approximately \$1,000,000 and have approximately \$10,000,000 in endowment."

Dr. E. D. Head, president of the seminary at Fort Worth, was re-elected president of the convention.

### ERECT CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL AT NATCHEZ FOR NEGRO CHILDREN

Natchez, Miss.—(RNS)—A Roman Catholic grade school built by Negro laborers for the education of Negro children has been dedicated here by Bishop Richard Gerow, together with a convent for Trinitarian Sisters, who will assist priests in carrying out a curriculum along vocational and academic lines.

Courses at the school, designed to accommodate 100 pupils, will include cabinet making, plumbing, and repair of farm implements. The courses will be taught by priests. Instruction in home economics, public health, and home economics, public health, and Sisters.

A farm, operated by students, will round out the program. Two doctors will visit the school twice weekly and hold a clinic which will be open to the entire Negro community.

The school and convent were built by Negro laborers, from 12 to 50 at a time, working under floodlights, after their regular day's work. Only second-hand material was used in the construction.

### HOME BOARD WILL OFFER SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 2—Students now in training in Baptist seminaries of the South, along with students attending the Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Louisville, will be offered summer employment by the Home Mission Board this year, Rev. S. F. Dowis, superintendent of the City Mission program of the board, announced here recently at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Mr. Dowis, one of five speakers from the staff of the Home Mission Board to appear here for speaking engagements and conferences with students, in December, said that workers for the summer missions program are wanted particularly for service in western states. Activities will include evangelistic campaigns, church enlargement campaigns, vacation Bible schools, and Sunday school and Training Union study courses.

### CENTREVILLE CHURCH HAS A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The Centreville church had a very successful year in 1944. In addition to a goodly number added to the church by baptism, it also did well financially, with \$2,300 given through the Cooperative Program and to other outside causes. Services were well attended, not only by church members but by hundreds of soldiers and other visitors connected with Camp Van Dorn.

Saturday night street meetings proved to be a glorious success. During an average service an army chaplain counted more than three hundred people who stopped and listened to the service. On other Saturday nights many more than three hundred were present. A number of sincere professions of faith were made on the street corner.

During the past two years, with Camp Van Dorn nearby, the opportunities for Christian service have been unusually great. The simple gospel of Christ was preached to literally thousands of men, most of whom are now overseas. The pastor and his wife are receiving letters from all over the country with expressions

### BILOXI FIRST OBSERVES WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

For a number of years the First Baptist Church of Biloxi has observed watch night services on New Year's Eve, combining with it a reception for new members received into the church the preceding 12 months. Nearly 100 united with our church during 1944. This year the annual student night was also incorporated in the evening activities, Marie Latil, the director, presiding for the introduction of new members and visitors.

The pastor, Rev. G. C. Hodge, presided for the student night service, Mrs. L. L. Lockett at the piano. The program arranged by Miss Marie Latil was as follows:

Scripture, Psalms 9 and 46, Pvt. Harry Love; prayer, Sgt. M. Severence; quartet, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," Sgt. Severence, Pvt. Harry Love, Richard Shaefer, Ralph Brunson; talks on Religious Opportunities in My College—MSCW, Louise Hancock; Tulane, Braxton Patterson, V-12 student; Texas Tech and Military Service, Pfc. Ed Tate.

A large number was present for the reception for new members, held in the lower auditorium recreation hall of the church, 8:30-10:30. Favorite hymns were sung, led by Harold Blakeney of Hattiesburg with Alma Simmons Hodge at the piano.

The pastor introduced the new members who spoke briefly. He then introduced the various officers of the church by departments who told of their work and places of meeting: J. R. Mazingo, chairman of deacons; J. C. Brent, superintendent of Sunday school; Miss Marie Latil, director of B. T. U.; Mrs. M. H. Dees, W. M. U. president; Miss Elizabeth Pickering, librarian.

Mrs. L. G. Lentz sang The Holy City, accompanied by Mrs. M. M. Ingram of Benton, Ill. Refreshments of cake and fruit punch were served by the WMS social committee, Mrs. O. S. Gillis, chairman.

From 10:30-11:30 was a period of informal fellowship and fun, directed by Miss Elizabeth Pickering, church hostess. Washington, Georgia, Mississippi, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Virginia, South Carolina, Florida, Iowa, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, New York, Kansas, Michigan, Louisiana and Alabama were among the states represented.

At 11:40 the group adjourned to the main auditorium of the church for the closing devotional led by Pastor Hodge, Mrs. Gladys Brooke at the piano. Blessings of the past year were enumerated by various individuals. A season of prayer ushered in the New Year, preceded by candle-lighting of small candles from a central one on the lectern. The singing of "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me," concluded the six hour observance, seventy-five remaining for the finale.—Mrs. G. C. Hodge.

of appreciation for spiritual benefits received by sons and husbands while stationed at Camp Van Dorn.

There are many plans for the future, including a revival meeting in March, with Rev. F. K. Horton of Clarksdale conducting the meeting. The church also plans to build as soon as possible a beautiful educational section to the present church building, a new baptistry, and install new pews and other equipment for the auditorium.

## CIRCULATION STILL GROWING

A Gain of 535 for the Week

Circulation This Week . . . 48,043